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Robert Johnk, 65

Nov. 26, 1935 – Aug. 17, 2001

WALNUT – Robert Dale Johnk was born Nov. 26, 1935, in Lincoln Township, Pottawattamie County. He was one of three children born to Otto and Dora Schaaf Johnk. He attended school in Walnut, graduating from Walnut High School in 1954.

Robert married Carolyn Burnham Feb. 19, 1955, in Walnut. They were the parents of three children, Keith Robert, Kent Douglas and Karla Marie. They were engaged in farming near Walnut, and lived in the same house that Robert was born and raised in. He was a member of the Farm Bureau and also the First Presbyterian Church in Walnut. He died at Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Council Bluffs, Aug. 17, 2001, at age 65 years, eight months and 22 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Kenneth, and his sister, Dorothy. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn; his children, Keith Johnk (Carol) of Carolville; Kent Johnk (Carla) of Hancock; and Karla Helms of Walnut; seven grandchildren, Elissa, Ryne, Brittni and Ty Johnk and Kelsey, Karley and Jessica Helms, and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 20, 2001, at the First Presbyterian Church with Pastor Craig zumBrunnen officiating. Burial was in the Lincoln Township Cemetery, Hancock. Honorary casket bearers were Brittni Johnk, Ty Johnk, Jessica Helms, Kelsey Helms and Karley Helms. Casket bearers were Elissa Johnk, Wayne Johnk, Larry Johnk, Dennis Johnk, Ryne Johnk, Gary Johnk and Phil Weidner. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.
