

## **Ronald Kadel, 87**

*Oct. 13, 1915 - April 20, 2003*

**MINDEN** – Ronald LeRoy Kadel was born Oct. 13, 1915, at Minden, the son of Mike and Helena Witt Kadel, and was one of nine children. He attended country school at York Center until 1928. He spent most of his life on the Kadel family farm south of Minden. He was baptized in the Minden church where he was a lifelong member.

Ronald married Beulah Pedersen June 15, 1938. They were the parents of one son, LeRoy. They also helped to raise four foster boys during their years on the farm. Besides farming, Ronald operated a Grade A Dairy until 1971. He owned an airplane and had a pilot's license for 20 years. He was a member of the Civil Air Patrol and the Flying Farmers of America Association. Ronald farmed with his son until 1997, when LeRoy died. He died April 20, 2003, at age 87.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his son, LeRoy; five sisters, Hester Morris, Helen Ganskow, Velma Walker, Pearl Kadel and Arlene West; and two brothers, Richard, who died in infancy, and Lloyd Kadel. He is survived by his wife of over 64 years, Beulah; daughter-in-law, Lynn (Denny) Peterson of Minden; two granddaughters and their families, Kathy (Brian) Fox and Emily and Benjamin of Colorado Springs, CO and Suzanne (James) and Alexander and Jonathan of Council Bluffs; a sister, Edna Mae Hollesen of Council Bluffs; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 23, 2003, at the Minden United Church of Christ with Pastor Denny Peterson officiating. Burial was in the Minden Cemetery. Honorary casket bearers were Harold Bintz, Harold Lefebber and Elmer Petersen. Casket bearers were Bernard Schroder, Ronny Kay, Roger Kay, Lynn Olsen, Robert Campbell and Dan O'Neill. Pauley Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.