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Dec. 10, 1915 - Feb. 2, 1994

Harlan - Norman Stamp, son of Emil and Dora (Voss) Stamp, was born Dec. 10, 1915 at Walnut. He died at Bishop Clarkson Memorial Hospital in Omaha, NE, Feb. 2, 1994 at age 78 years, one month and 23 days. He was baptized and confirmed at the Lutheran Church in Walnut. He graduated from Walnut High School in 1932, and from Iowa State University with a B.S. in Agriculture in 1939.

Sept. 11, 1938, he married Marcella Murphy at Atlantic. Three sons were born to this union. After their marriage, they made their home in Ames while he finished college. After graduation, they moved to Oskaloosa for one and 1/2 years and later Keosauqua for four years working for the lowa State Extension Service. In 1944 they moved to Harlan where he served as the county extension agent. In 1945, they organized Wilson Hybrids Seed Company. He served as the first manager, and later was named president of the firm. Under his direction this company established major sales territories in the United States. He continued active management of the company and chairman of the board of directors until his retirement in 1986. After the death of Marcella April 26, 1986, he continued to make his home in Harlan.

July 23, 1991, he married Lorana Ullerich Nelson in Harlan. They have made their home in Harlan since that time. He had been an active member of the Congregational United Church of Christ, Parian Masonic Lodge No. 321 A.F. & A.M. of Harlan, AbuBekr Temple Shrine of Sioux City, and the Harlan Golf and Country Club. He was also a member of the Chamber of Commerce and received special recognition for his many community activties in 1991. He supported many community activities and was instrumental in funding the new Harlan municipal swimming pool which was named the Norman D. Stamp Aquatic Center.

In addition to his parents, and his first wife Marcella, he was preceded in death by one son, Lynn. He is survived by his wife Lorana of Harlan; two sons, Gary (Sandy) of Sioux Falls, SD, and Dennis (Jan) of Steamboat Springs, CO; six grandchildren; two great grandchildren and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Feb. 5, 1994 at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan with Rev. C.G. "Gary" Nienkamp of the Congregational United Church of Christ in Harlan officiating. Burial was in the Walnut cernetery at Walnut, with Russell Gould, Eimer "Sparky" Larsen, Nels Block, Jr., Melvin Rasmussen, Arnold Knudtson, Normal Mickelson and Alvin Armentrout honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Lee Knudtson, Dr. D.W. Jorgensen, Lynn Knudtson, Lonnie Muxfeldt, Don Barnes and Glenn C. Ullerich Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements