

## William Shimp, 76

Aug. 6, 1925 - March 21, 2002 ✓

**WATERLOO** - William A. Shimp, known as Bill to family and friends, was born in Dunkerton, Aug. 6, 1925, son of Archie and Juanita (Wilson) Shimp. Bill was raised and graduated high school from Dunkerton. During the later part of WWII he was trained by the Army Air Corp to be a fighter pilot, but the war ended prior to his service overseas.

July 18, 1948, he married Verna Freed at Trinity Lutheran Church in Waterloo, and they made their home in Dunkerton and later Waterloo. He owned and operated the Dewar Elevator for 35 years, and in 1972 was president of the Iowa Feed and Grain Feed Association. He retired in 1987. He was a longtime member of St. John's Bennington Lutheran Church and the Dunkerton American Legion. Recently he had been a patient at the Allen Memorial Hospital in Waterloo, where he died March 21, 2002, at age 76 years.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Verna, Dec. 13, 1998; his parents, and two brothers, Richard and Robert. He is survived by his son, Bryan (Cathy) of Harlan; three daughters, Marsha (Cliff) McMillan of Dunkerton; Diane (Paul) Roth of Mesa, AZ and Barb (Bob) Gosney of Scottsdale; one brother, Jack (Kathleen) of Waterloo; one sister, Alice (Carroll) Hauptly of Dunkerton; 10 grandchildren; one step granddaughter and three great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held March 23, 2002, at St. John's Lutheran Church, Bennington in Waterloo, with Pastor Dean Williams officiating. Burial was in the Waterloo Memorial Park Cemetery. Parrott Wood Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

