

Veral Smith, 85

May 18, 1922 - April 7, 2008

COUNCIL BLUFFS — Veral Dean Smith, age 85, of Council Bluffs, was born May 18, 1922 in Portsmouth, IA to parents Ernest and Jessie Slaven Smith.

May 2, 1942, Veral was joined in marriage to Dorothy Jean Galiher of Portsmouth. Veral enlisted in the U.S. Army and served in the South Pacific during World War II and was honorably discharged in 1946. Veral served the Persia area as rural mail carrier for 33 years. He was a volunteer fireman in Persia for 35 years, past school board member for Tri-Center Community Schools, served on the Persia City Council, and a member of the Persia United Methodist Church, American Legion Swanger Post 314 of Persia and 40 and 8. He died Monday, April 7, 2008, at Jennie Edmundson Hospital.

Veral is preceded in death by his parents and a infant sister. Survivors include wife Dorothy, children, Bob (Jan) Smith, Marilyn (Rich) Knauss all of Council Bluffs, IA, Jack (Mary) Smith of Minden, IA, 11 grandchildren, 31 great grandchildren, 3 great great grandchildren, sister Darlene (Smith) Deupree of Lyons, NE.

Prayer service was held Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. followed by visitation until 8:30 p.m. at Cutler-O'Neill-Meyer-Woodring Funeral Home. Celebration of Life Services were Thursday, April 10, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. at the Persia Methodist Church with Rev. Orris Drake officiant. Interment was in Valley View Cemetery, Persia, with military rites tendered by Persia American Legion.

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