

## Charles Suhr, 69

Dec. 1, 1940 - Feb. 1, 2010

**WALNUT** — Charles Raymond Suhr was born on December 1, 1940 to Raymond and Josephine (Blakely) Suhr in Council Bluffs. He was baptized and confirmed at Evangelical Lutheran Church in Walnut. He attended the Walnut schools and graduated with the Class of 1959.

June 24, 1961, Charles was united in marriage to Hazel Sorensen at the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Walnut. Three children were born to this union: Tim, Troy, and Shawn. After high school, he drove for his father at Suhr Trucking and later, with his brother James, took over the business and named it Suhr Brothers Trucking. Charles sold his half of the trucking business to James when he decided



to buy the Continental Grain Elevator in Walnut. That became the Tri-County Elevator. Even during that time he was still driving trucks. He sold his elevator and worked as a driver for Greater Omaha Packing House. He retired after an accident left him partially disabled. He enjoyed gardening and canning, hunting and fishing, dances, playing cards with the boys, and spending time with his grandkids. Charles died on Monday, February 1, 2010 having attained the age of sixty-nine years and two months.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Norma Jean, and brothers James and Raymond, Jr. He is survived by his wife of forty-eight years, Hazel Suhr of Walnut; sons: Tim Suhr of Walnut and Troy Suhr of Council Bluffs; daughter Shawn Ballinger of Walnut; three grandchildren; brothers and sisters: Verla and her husband Howard Christensen of Phoenix, AZ, Kenneth Suhr and his wife Marie of Walnut, Marilyn and her husband John Singer of Omaha, NE, and Terry Suhr and his wife Cindy of Walnut; other family members and many friends.

Pastor Gail Muckey officiated the 1:00 PM funeral service at Peace United Church of Christ in Walnut, on Thursday, February 4, 2010. Honorary casket bearers were Joe Peterson, Allan Sievers, Laura Ballinger, Jesse Ballinger, Jerry Glenn, Charles "Chub" Walter, and Wyatt Suhr. Serving as casket bearers were Gary Van Horn, Trent Suhr, Larry Shepherd, Kevin Suhr, Scott Suhr, and Rodney Suhr. Interment was at Layton Township Cemetery in Walnut.

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