

John Bear

died 1 Dec 1983

Services were Tuesday for John Bear, 72, of Rhodes who died Thursday at Marshall County Care Facility. The Rev. Frank Schultz officiated and burial followed in Eden Cemetery.

The Boyd-Davis Funeral Home in Baxter was in charge of arrangements.

Born March 21, 1911, at Rhodes, he was the son of Daniel and Mary Williams Bear. He was educated in the Rhodes area and was a member of the Rhodes High School Class of 1929.

Mr. Bear was married to Violet McKelvy on November 25, 1933, and he later married Mary Heibeig on June 23, 1961, at Fulton, Nebraska. He worked on various farms until 1935, when he went into farming on his own. In 1954, Mr. Bear went to

work for Good's Feed Store and Central Iowa Produce at the Rhodes Lumber yard until his retirement in 1972. Since then he has been a part time water commissioner for Rhodes.

Mr. Bear is survived by his widow; two daughters, Dorothy (Mrs. James) Sands of Marshalltown and Grace (Mrs. Everett) Eschliman of Schuler, NE; and four sons, Mark in the U.S. Army in Germany, Melvin of Sioux City, Charles of Schuler, NE, and Sandy in the U.S. Navy in San Diego, CA.

He was preceded in death by a brother, a sister, two sons, and a granddaughter.

Mr. Bear was a member of the Rhodes Methodist Church.