

Charles Edwin Craven

November 28, 2001

Dec. 18, 1911, to Nov. 20, 2001

Charles Edwin Craven, 89, of Nevada, died of heart failure on Tuesday, Nov. 20, at Story County Long Term Care in Nevada, where he had been a resident since December of 1998.

He was born Dec. 18, 1911, in Pilot Mound to Eli A. and Florence (Alsever) Craven. He married Audrey Bennett on Dec. 19, 1942, in Boone. He farmed in the Boone area until 1952 and then worked for Hove Truck Lines until his retirement in 1971. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Nevada and enjoyed gardening. He loved the outdoors and his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He had been a resident of Stanhope before moving to Nevada in 1997.

Survivors include his wife, Audrey of Nevada; a daughter, Janice (and Dean) Monson of Nevada; four sons, Melvin (and Judy) of Nevada, Robert (and Mary) of Badger, DeWayne (and Colleen) of Webster City and Dennis (and Bobbi) of Iowa City; 11 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Charles is preceded in death by his parents; two sisers, Mildred Ray in 1977 and Geneva Hilsabeck in 1993; two brothers, Lester in 1910 and one in infancy; and a great-grandson, Bennett Green in 1998.

Funeral services were held Friday, Nov. 23, at First United Methodist Church in Nevada with Pastor Steve Williams officiating. Burial was in the Lawn Hills Cemetery in Stanhope. A memorial fund has been established in his name for the Lions Club of Stanhope. Chet Ryan Mortuary, Nevada, handled arrangements.