

Jim Sparks



Born: 11/4/1915

Died: 8/14/2003

Services will be held at: 10:30 AM on Tuesday, August 19, 2003 at the Bangor Liberty Friends Church in Bangor, Iowa with Reverend Keith Haisch officiating

Visitation times are: 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Monday at the Biersborn Funeral Home in Union, Iowa, where the family will be present to greet friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Jim was born on November 4, 1915 in Marshalltown, Iowa, the son of Floyd and Erma (Carkhuff) Sparks. Jim was raised and educated in the Marshalltown, Timber Creek, Clemons, and Spring Valley, Iowa area graduating from the Liberty Consolidated School in 1933. Jim was activated by the United States Army and served his country during WWII. On January 23, 1949 he was united in marriage to Evelyn Irene Cory. They made their home on the family farm southwest of Union, where he farmed for many years before his retirement in 1993. A short time later they moved to Union. Jim was a member of the Bangor Liberty Friends Church and the American Legion. He was a past member of the Union-Whitten School Board, South Hardin Manor Board, and the Kiwanis Club. Jim is survived by his wife Evelyn, his three daughters: Nancy (Steve) Smith of Guthrie Center, Iowa; Marcia (Neal) Hadden of Oskaloosa, Iowa; Sharon (Jan) Johnson of Union, Iowa; his three brothers: Donald (Mary) Sparks of New Providence, Iowa; Russell (Betty) Sparks of Melbourne, Iowa; John Sparks (friend Teri) of State Center, Iowa; his four sisters: Virginia Clemons of State Center; Maxine (John) Mohr of Marshalltown, Iowa; Nola (LaVern) German of State Center, Iowa; Joanne (Bob) Benner of State Center, Iowa; his Sister-In-Laws: Virginia Sparks of State Center, Iowa; Ina Mae Sparks of Clemons, Iowa; and his nine grandchildren. Jim was preceded in death by his parents, and his two brothers Floyd and Roger.