OTTO U. HANSEN,
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Otto U. Hansen, age 93 of Gladbrook, passed away Sunday, July 5, 2009, at Westbrook Acres in Gladbrook. Funeral services will be 2:00 P.M., Thursday, July 9, 2009, at Peace United Church of Christ in Gladbrook, IA. Burial will be in Maple Hill Cemetery. Online condolences may be sent to the family at vogelsfuneralhomes.com. Arrangements have been entrusted to Goettsch Perrin Funeral Home.

Otto was born December 5, 1915, to John Peter Hansen and Emma Louisa (Thaden) Hansen on a farm northwest of Gladbrook. He was educated in the Gladbrook schools, graduating in 1932 at the age of 16. He worked as a hired hand on local farms for several years. On August 23, 1941, he was united in marriage to Phyllis B. Phenis of Toledo. They became the parents of two children, Kathleen and John. He was a lifelong farmer who truly loved his occupation.

Otto was a charter member of the Gladbrook Lions Club. He was a member of the Tama County Farm Bureau and Peace United Church of Christ in Gladbrook. He was always community-minded, supporting all the community activities and projects.

Otto is survived by his daughter, Kathleen (Drew) Carlson of West Covina, California, his son, John (Peggy) Hansen of Carol Stream, Illinois, and four grandchildren, Kevin (Jennifer) Carlson, Shane (Julie) Carlson, Tyler Hansen, and Alex Hansen, as well as a sister-in-law, Louisa Hansen and numerous nieces and nephews.

Otto was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Phyllis in 2003, and two brothers, Emil and Arlo.