

Ronald Davis
July 24, 1919 - January 23, 2005

Iowa City, Iowa

Visitation: 12:00 O'clock noon with family greeting friends between 6:00 and 8:00 PM January 25, 2005 at Fremont Funeral Chapel, Fremont, Iowa

Funeral Service: 10:30 AM January 26, 2005 at Bethany Baptist Church, Ottumwa, IA

Interment: Brooks Cemetery near Hedrick

Ronald "Jay" Davis was born July 24, 1919 in Hedrick, Iowa, the son of Charles W. and Jessie G. Kitterman Davis. He was united in marriage to Bessie Deborn August 1, 1942. He graduated from Hedrick High School in 1938 after which he worked as a farm hand doing odd jobs until enlisting in the U.S. Army in 1940. "Jay" served in the South Pacific during WW11, 6th Division, 80th Field Artillery Battalion in New Guinea, Luzon, and the Phillipines. He was discharged in 1945 and began working for Stevens Shoe Store in Ottumwa until 1947. "Jay" then worked at John Morrell in Ottumwa until 1974 when he retired. His hobbies included fishing and cheering for the Iowa Hawkeyes Football team. He was a member of the Bethany Baptist Church, and the Ottumwa V.F.W. Mr. Davis is survived by his son Dan and wife Linda Davis of Highland Center, a sister; Eva Mae Wright and her husband Louis of Rock Island, Ill., three grandchildren; Sondra and husband Derick Derby of Drakesville, Barbara and husband Allan Lanman of Hedrick and Kurt Davis of Marion. Five great-grandchildren; Brooke, Brittany and Jacklyn Derby, Colton and Shelby Lanman, and a special friend Juanita Brady. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Bessie in 1984, and a sister Audrey Kennedy.

