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FLOYD CHRESTIANSEN

Visitation:

Wednesday, November 18, 2009

5:00 PM until 8:00 PM

HENRY-OLSON FUNERAL CHAPEL

401 N. 7TH STREET

ESTHERVILLE,

Service:

Thursday, November 19, 2009

10:30 AM

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

GRAETTINGER,



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Floyd M. Chrestiansen, the son of Albert and Mathilda (Tonderum) Chrestiansen, was born March 13, 1932, in Emmet County, Iowa. He departed this life at his farm home in rural Estherville on Sunday evening, November 15, 2009, at the age of 77.

Floyd graduated from Graettinger High School with the Class of 1950. Following high school, he was drafted in the U.S. Army and served as Cpl. during 1952-1954 in Austria. Following his discharge, Floyd returned home to Emmet County and married Rhonda Jean Webster on December 9, 1956 in Jackson, Minnesota.

Floyd and Rhonda began farming the family farm in Emmet County. They celebrated 50 years of marriage in 2006.

He raised poultry, hogs and cattle for many years. Like many farmers, he never actually retired from farming but was proud to have a son carry on the family farm. As a father, he actively helped his children with their 4-H livestock projects and was most especially proud to witness his seven granddaughters pursue their 4-H projects. "Grandpa C." was seen sitting in the bleachers in the show barn every summer in Emmet County and Benton County proudly cheering on their efforts and offering words of encouragement to the girls after each livestock show. Floyd was active in Emmet County Soil & [Water Conservation](#) and received an Outstanding [Service Award](#) in 1983.

Floyd was a lifetime member of Bethel Lutheran Church where he served in the past on the Church Council. Floyd was a 50+ year member of the Wallingford Legion. He was an avid Iowa Hawkeye fan and Minnesota Twins fan.

Floyd is survived by his wife, Rhonda of Estherville; daughter, Nancy Danielson and her husband Tim of Wallingford; daughter, Donna Wiese and her husband John of Vinton; son, Bruce and his wife Lori of Estherville; daughter, Sharon Bunce and her husband Bob of Ankeny.

Also surviving are grandchildren Amber Blume and her husband Matt; Amy Daws and her husband Kevin; Jill Wiese, Abby Danielson, Kara Wiese, Sarah Chrestiansen and Emily Chrestiansen. In addition Floyd is survived by two great-grandsons, Evan and Eli Blume. Floyd is also survived by a brother, Melvin and his wife, Joyce of [Paris, TX](#), and a sister, Julia Lehner and her husband Jim of Dacula, GA as well as many nieces and nephews.

Floyd is preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Lawrence; four sisters, Mildred Chrestiansen, Alice Gwinner, Neva Bechler and Ardythe Chrestiansen.

**INTERMENT
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Graettinger**

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