



Peter Thielen

November 15, 1929 - October 9, 2009

Peter Thielen, Jr., age 79, of Carroll, Iowa, died Friday, October 9, 2009, at St. Anthony Nursing Home in Carroll. Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 A.M., Tuesday, October 13, 2009, at Holy Spirit Church in Carroll. The celebrant will be Father Robert Fangman. The casket will be taken to the church at 8:30 A.M. Tuesday to lie in state until the time of the funeral mass. Lectors will be granddaughters, Lindsey Irlbeck, Mandy Tuel, and Crystal Hoffman. Gift Bearers will be grandchildren, Madison Hook, Samantha Thielen, Mallory Thielen, and Trevor Thielen. Eucharistic Ministers will be Joann Watson and Rose and John Guinan. Casket Bearers will be grandsons, Travis Hook, Nathan Hook, Nick Bellinghausen, Damon Tuel, Matt Hoffman, and Joe Irlbeck. Burial will be at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Carroll with military honors conducted by the Carroll American Legion. Friends may call at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll after 3:30 P.M. Monday. A rosary will be prayed at 4 P.M. Monday. There will be a Christian wake service at 7 P.M. Monday by Holy Spirit Parish. Memorials may be left at the funeral home or church for St. Anthony Nursing Home. Mr. Thielen was born on November 15, 1929, at Manning, Iowa, the son of Peter J. and Julia (Reiff) Thielen, Sr. He attended country school near Willey and then helped his Dad on the farm. In March 1950 he entered the U.S. Air Force and served during the Korean War and was honorably discharged in September 1953. On June 15, 1955, he was married to Margaret "Mugs" Schrum in Manning, Iowa. The couple made their home in Carroll. Mr. Thielen was employed for thirty-five years as a semi-truck

driver for the Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company of Carroll until his retirement. He was a member of Holy Spirit Parish, Carroll American Legion, and Carroll Veterans of Foreign Wars. Peter enjoyed his family, fishing, hunting, gardening, and yard work. Survivors include his children, Joe Thielen and his wife Deb of Maple River, Donna Bellinghausen and her husband Dale of Halbur, Karen Hook and her husband Doug of Carroll, and Mike Thielen and his wife Jill of Johnston; ten grandchildren; four great grandchildren; and sisters-in-law, Marie Thielen of Carroll, Rose Thielen of Granger, Dorothea Musfeldt of Manning, and Norma Luetje and her husband Wendall of Westside. He was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret "Mugs" Thielen, in November 1983; his parents; a step-mother, Bertha Thielen; sisters, Kathleen Thielen, Mary Ann Venteicher, and Irene Wendl; and brothers, Edwin, Norbert, William, Eugene, and Romain Thielen.