



Thomas Monson

April 24, 1911 - June 16, 2007

Thomas Cornelius Monson was born on April 24, 1911 to John and Cecelia (Olson) Monson at Sturgis, South Dakota. Tom's family moved to Minnesota when he was six years old. He lived in the Henning and Bertha areas before settling on a farm south of Deer Creek. Most recently, Tom has been residing at the Golden Living Center in Henning. Tom passed away early Saturday morning, June 16, at 96 years of age at Tri-County Hospital in Wadena. On October 14, 1933, Tom married Lillian Olson. Together the couple farmed for over 50 years before moving into Deer Creek. The couple raised two nephews, Teddy and Jerry Olson. Lil passed away in March 1991. Tom married Aleda Hanebuth on March 28, 1993. The couple enjoyed little trips or just going for a drive. Tom enjoyed the time he spent at the farm, his John Deere, and playing cards. He belonged to the Senior Citizens Center in Deer Creek. Tom is survived by his wife, Aleda; step-daughters, Margaret (Gerald) Zeise of Deer Creek and Carol (Leo) Perisian of Bradenton, FL; six step-grandchildren; 14 step-great grandchildren; nieces, Ruth Tranne of Aurora, CO and Margaret Hansen of Clear Lake, IA; nephews, Ray Barrett of Armstrong, IA, Earl Barrett of Eden Prairie, John McLaughlin of Las Vegas, Jerry Olson of Long Beach with his five children and 10 grandchildren; and other relatives and friends. Tom is preceded in death by his first wife, Lillian; his parents; two sisters; two brothers; and nephew, Teddy Olson. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, June 20, at 10:30 AM at Trinity Lutheran Church in Deer Creek with Pastor Gunard Heikkila officiating. Visitation will be

at the church after 9:00 AM on Wednesday. Interment will be in the Inman Cemetery in Inman Township. Honorary pallbearers will be Daneen Hampel, Danette Brannen, Chelsea Brannen, Stephanie Brannen, Taylor Brannen, Hunter Brannen, McKenna Brannen, and Cherie Lugert. Casketbearers will be Gary Zeise, Daryl Zeise, Dan Sandahl, Dave Brannen, Tom Hoffman, and Jim Olson