



Fred Bloodworth

April 23, 1917 - February 22, 2012

Harry Frederick "Fred" Bloodworth, age 94 of Albia, passed away Wednesday, February 22, 2012, at the Monroe County Hospital in Albia.

Fred was born April 23, 1917 in Ankeny, IA to James W. and Margaret (Jobusch) Bloodsworth. He married Grace Dicks February 29, 1936 in Albia. To this union, they had two children, Richard Lee and Shirley Ann. Fred and Grace were only one week away from celebrating 76 wonderful years together.

Fred attended grade school, and then went to work in the coal mines with his father. In 1934, he worked in CC Camp. He later worked for John Morrell and Company, before joining the United States Army during World War II. He served in the European Theatre in General Patton's 3rd Army, where he fought in the Battle of the Bulge. Fred's highest rank was a T5 or Corporal. After the war, he was a demolition man, and upon being discharged from the United States Army, Fred worked at John Deere for many years. He retired from John Deere after being crippled by a car accident. Fred was a lifetime member of the American Legion Howard Cessna Post #136.

Fred loved to garden. He also liked to hunt and fish.

Fred is survived by his wife, Grace of Albia; two children, Richard (Rosemary)

Bloodsworth of Potosi, WI and Shirley (Joseph) Ferraro of St. Paul, MN; five grandchildren, Jacob and Tony Shope, Wendy Weeks, Richard, Jr. and Ross Bloodsworth; seven great-granddaughters, Katie, Emma, Alexis and Sadie Shope, Hannah Boehm, Sarah and Claire Weeks; a great grandson, Joshua Bloodsworth; sisters, Dorothy, Mary, Alberta, and Jane; and brothers, Russell and Albert.

Fred was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers, James, Phillip, Tom, and Robert; and two sisters, Mildred Wilson and Betty Seibert.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m., Monday, February 27, 2012 at Tharp-Winfield Funeral Home in Albia; with Pastor Richard Grimes officiating. Burial with military rites provided by the American Legion Howard Cessna Post #136 of Albia will be in Pleasant Corners Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 12 to 8 p.m., Sunday, February 26, 2012, at Tharp-Winfield Funeral Home, with his family present from 6-8 p.m.

Memorials may be directed to the Rheumatoid Arthritis Foundation.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.tharpfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Fred Bloodworth

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ Fred Bloodworth

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ When I was little my grandfather, Bob Eastlick, always took me to the American Legion. I remember always seeing Fred there, and how kind he was. I don't know why, but I started to call him Santa Claus, and it stuck. Maybe it was how kind and generous he was.

My husband Craig and I were talking just the other night. He told me he remembered going into the Legion with his grandfather, Tom Gutcher. He also remembered Fred being there and always buying him and his siblings pop and chips.

Sorry to hear of the loss of a kind, caring man.

Dacia O'Brien Gutcher - Albia, IA - February 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Rest in Peace, you were a man of many talents and a pleasure to listen to. You will be missed.

deanna bell - ottumwa, IA - Great Niece - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *Sorry for your loss Tim we will keep you in our thoughts in this time of your loss.*

Bill & Mary Harrington - Knoxville, IA - Friend of Tim Bloodsworth - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ *RIP: Uncle Freddy. You are such an admirable man. Condolences to all family. Love Jim*

Jim Bloodsworth - Tucson, AZ - Nephew - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Aunt Grace, may God bless you at this difficult time. Uncle Freddie will be greatly missed.*

Sue Ridenhour - AZ - Niece - February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM