

Franklin Stephens

-He Only Takes The Best God saw you were getting tired And a cure was not to be So He put His arms around you And whispered, "Come With Me" With tearful eyes we watched You suffer and fade away Although we loved you dearly We could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, Hard working hands to rest God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the BEST. Author unknown In Loving Memory Of Franklin L. "Fuzzy" Stephens Born August 6, 1928 Honey Creek, Iowa Entered Into Rest October 6, 2010 Missouri Valley, Iowa Services 10:00 a.m. Saturday, October 9, 2010 St. Patrick's Catholic Church Missouri Valley, Iowa Officiating Father Mike Berner Organist Lyle Waterhouse Vocalist Elizabeth Dillinger Selections "On Eagles Wing"s "One Bread" One Body" "God Bless The USA" "Wind Beneath My Wings" Casket Bearers Raymond Stephens Bernard Stephens Robert Stephens Bruce McIntosh Jonathan Weihs David Weihs Final Resting Place Rose Hill Memorial Gardens – Missouri Valley, Iowa Memorials may be given to St. Patrick's Church Franklin Louis "Fuzzy" Stephens, age 82, passed away Wednesday October 6, 2010 at Longview Care Center in Missouri Valley. Franklin was born August 6, 1928 to William M. and Maude A. (McIntosh) Stephens in Honey Creek, Iowa. Fuzzy married Jean Golland on September 3, 1951. To this union they were blessed with two daughters, Gloria and Cheryl. Fuzzy worked as a chief clerk with Chicago North Western Railroad, he also owned his own landscaping business here in Missouri Valley. Fuzzy loved to dance, fish, golf, and working with tractors and was member of Fraternal order of Eagles. He proudly served our country in the Army from 1951 to 1953. Fuzzy loved his garden, he raised all kinds of produce which he sold at his self-serve stand at his home. Fuzzy is preceded in death by his parents, brothers; James and William Stephens He is survived by; his wife, Jean Stephens; daughters, Gloria Jean Stephens, Cheryl Kay Funk and husband Jim, all of Missouri Valley, Iowa; grandson; Jonathan Weihs and his wife

Gisselle of Nashville, Tennessee; great grandson: Gian Marco Parnell, sister; Mary Wagner of Council Bluffs, Iowa; brothers; Donald Stephens and wife Ruth of Honey Creek, Iowa; Robert Stephens and wife Judy of Loveland, Iowa; many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Visitation with family will be Friday from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm with a Wake Service at 6:00 p.m. at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Missouri Valley, Iowa. Military Honors will be conducted by Julius F. Muller American Legion Post # 337. The family would like to invite everyone to a time of lunch and fellowship at the St. Patrick's Church following the committal service