Chester L. Stauffacher December 24, 1907 - April 13, 1991

Chester L. Stauffacher, age 83, of W5557 Genrich Road, Rio, died on Saturday, April 13, 1991, at his home in Rio.

He was born on December 24, 1907, in Sylvester Township, Green County, the son of Emil and Della (Schultz) Stauffacher.

He was married to his first wife, Catherine Woodman, on March 7, 1929. She died in June 1969.

He then married his second wife, Iva Roberts, on January 1, 1970. She died on May 10, 1978.

He then married his third and present wife, Elfreida Hebel, on January 23, 1979.

Chester graduated from Monroe High School and then attended Chicago Technical College. For many years he served on the Dutch Hollow School Board and was one of the directors of the local telephone company. Up to the time of his death he was a director of the Dutch Hollow Cemetery Association and a member of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Arlington. Until 1963, he farmed his family farm in Sylvester Township in Green County. He then moved to Madison and was employed as a carpenter by Taff & Taff Builders, Inc. until his retirement. He lived near Rio, Wisconsin for the past six years. Chester will be remembered as a dedicated steward of the land, a good neighbor, and a very involved grandpa.

Survivors include his wife. Elfreida, of Rio; a son, Leo Stauffacher, of Window Rock, Arizona; three daughters. Laura (Jim) Taff, of Rio, Carol (Harold) Zager of Three Lakes, Wisconsin, and Judith (Michael) O'Connell, of Bear Creek, Wisconsin; two sisters, Marianne Keefer, of Signal Mountain, Tennessee, and Irene Coon, of Capertine, California; four grandchildren; and two Great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, April 17, 1991 at the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, located on County Highway K, South Leeds, with Reverend Harold Sturm officiating. Graveside rites will take place at a later time. The family requests that memorials be made to Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church or to the Dutch Hollow Cemetery Association.

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