



Max Crandall

Max Dean Crandall was born on June 6, 1929, in Hampton, Iowa, the son of George W. and Gladys (Olesen) Crandall. He graduated from Hampton High School then served in the U.S. Army from 1946 until 1948. He was united in marriage to Doris L. Handorf on November 24, 1950, in Dumont, Iowa. He was employed by John Deere at the Product Engineering Center for thirty years, retiring in 1984 as an Engine Designer and Liaison Engineer. He was a former Cub Master and Scout Master with Boy Scout Troop #44. Max had been a member of First United Methodist Church for 52 years. He was a life member of Cedar Falls AM Vets Post #49. He loved to travel and go fishing. Following retirement, he also enjoyed woodcarving.

Max was survived by his wife, Doris of Cedar Falls; daughter, Lori D. (Charles "Bill") Simpson of Des Moines; son, Kelly J. (Cheree) Crandall of Cedar Rapids; four grandchildren, Cari and Ashley Simpson, Brian and Leslie Crandall; two step-granddaughters, Kim Fitzpatrick and Amy Howard; two brothers, Sterle (Dorothy) Crandall of Mason City, and Darell (Jan) Crandall of Colorado Springs, Colorado; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Max died on Friday, March 11, 2005, at the Harmony House Health Care Center in Waterloo. He was preceded in death by his parents; one 13 year old son, Kerry Max Crandall and one son in infancy, Steven Crandall; two brothers, Leroy "Bud" Crandall and Robert Crandall.