



## Wendell Syoc

December 28, 2006

Wendell was born February 21, 1918, in rural Winfield, Iowa, the son of Perl Ransom and Ada (Mason) Van Syoc. He served as Captain in the United States Army Air Force during World War II. He attended college in Mt. Pleasant at Iowa Wesleyan of one year and went on to receive his Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering from Iowa State University in 1948. He was an engineer at the John Deere Product Engineering Center for 38 years, retiring in 1984. He was a member of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, Waterloo Technical Society, ISU Alumni Club of Black Hawk County, First United Methodist Church in Cedar Falls, where he was past Chair of the Board of Trustees, Administrative Board, Memorial Committee, Building Committee, Commission on Missions, Methodist Men, Sunday School teacher, and past board member of the Clear Lake United Methodist Church and past President of both the Toastmaster Club and the Cedar Falls Rotary Club.

Wendell is survived by his wife, Ruth of Cedar Falls; daughter, Celeste Sue Van Syoc of Des Moines; son, Philip K. (Debi) of Farmington, MO; brother, Marvin M. (Jean) Van Syoc of Mt. Pleasant; and sister, Mildred I. Wagner of Paragould, AR.

Wendell died Wednesday, December 28, 2005, from multiple injuries sustained in an automobile accident December 23. He was preceded in death by his parents.