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Clova "Junior" Traxler, age 88 of Ottumwa, Iowa died Wednesday May 25, 2011. Junior was born March 6, 1923 in Chariton, Missouri, the son of Clova M. and Eva Lucille (Eddy) Traxler. After graduating from high school, Junior enlisted in the United States Navy, serving his country in the South Pacific from 1942-1946. Upon the completion of his military service, Junior went to work at John Deere in Ottumwa. He worked in the accounting department for John Deere for thirty years until his retirement. Junior also farmed in Chariton, Missouri. He loved raising cattle. In his free time, Junior liked mowing the grass and raising flowers. He also thoroughly enjoyed collecting antiques. He is survived by his two sisters, Charlene A. (John) Thompson of Johnston, Iowa and Donna J. (Robert) Mullenix of Agency, Iowa; three nephews, Gregory L. (Hollis) Thompson of Austin, Texas, Stephen (Jan) Mullenix of Parker, Colorado, and Timothy A. (Candy) Mullenix of Irmo, South Carolina; and special family friend, John "Jack" Buretta of Ottumwa, Iowa. He was preceded in death by his parents. Funeral services will be held 1 PM, Saturday, May 28, 2011 at Lange Funeral Home in Centerville, Iowa with Reverend Jim Schweizer officiating. A visitation will be held on Friday at Lange Funeral Home with the family present from 5-7 PM that evening. Burial will take place in the Mt. Hermon Cemetery in Chariton, Missouri. A memorial has been established to the Mt. Hermon Cemetery and may be left at or mailed to the Lange Funeral Home, 1900 S. 18th St., Centerville, Iowa, 52544. Condolences may be shared online at www.langefh.com.

Funeral Service

May 28, 2011 1:00 PM

Lange Funeral Home 1900 S. 18th St. Centerville, IA (641) 856-2000



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Anonymous posted:

It seems I've known Clova forever, at least from the time I was born. Clova would have been 31 back then in 1954. He was always around when I came to visit my grandparents, Stanley & Mary Buretta, in Ottumwa. After I graduated from Luther College in 1976, I traveled for a manufacturers' rep, selling industrial water treatment equipment. One of my usual stops while in Ottumwa was John Deere. I always would see Clova working there and made a point to let him know I was there. I deeply appreciated the fact that Clova would drive my Uncle Jack up to the VA Hospital in Coralville for his doctor appointments. During the past few years, that trip would be extended up to Cedar Rapids so Jack could see my mom, his sister, Eileen, at Crestview Acres nursing home in Marion, IA. When Mom passed away last October, Clova brought Jack up to attend the visitation. It was always good to see him. He always had a smile on his face. The world lost a good one last week when Clova passed away. I know there is a great big void in my Uncle Jack's life now, but I, too, will miss him a great deal. Rest in peace, Clova. Posted by Greg Wymore - Cedar Rapids, IA - Friend May 31, 2011

January 4 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I remember visiting him and his mom (my grandma's sister) when I was little. I always got to go with my Grandad to Missouri to get sorgham. We always stopped and visited with Aunt Eva and Junior and whoever else was there. Now he's hangin' with the cousins (my dad, Auntie Pauline and Uncle Paul) and his Uncle Rob and Aunt Mary (and many other family members) in Heaven. Posted by Vicki (Mikles) Pasion - He's my Dad's cousin May 27, 2011

January 4 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Clova was a wonderful man who I enjoyed working with in the Accounting Department at John Deere. I was just out of high school and got an apartment of my own; Clova was kind to share with me a beautiful fern to make my apartment feel more like home. He will be greatly missed! Posted by Lea Ann Mercer - Ottumwa, IA - Former co-worker at John Deere May 27, 2011

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Anonymous posted:

I remember, when I worked at the flower shop in Ottumwa as a kid right out of high school, Clova offered to let me drive his big, new 98 Oldsmobile! What fun it was! I have not seen him in years but I remember him as a true gentleman. Judy and I are sorry for your loss. Posted by Ken and Judy Ogier - Colorado Springs, CO - Friend May 27, 2011

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