

Davis News



2013

Happy Birthday!

5th – Brandon turns 26



6th – Lori turns 56



20th – Ashley turns 31



21st – David turns 55



26th – Richie turns 45

Happy Anniversaries!



7th – Nancy & Neal #45



13th – Colin & Raynee #5



19th – Kim & Dave #32

Jamie's thyroid surgery was a success and she's now home being pampered by Justin & Jaynane.



Jim & Fran Celebrating Jim's 78th Last Month! Cheers!



SCHOOL IS IN SESSION DRIVE CAREFULLY!



Norah & Elise 1st Day of School



Norah 1st grade :: Elise Kindergarten

Saying goodbye to our beloved Hartland Church...

We've shared so many family memories here.

It's hard to believe that the Davis family and many others were packed into this tiny church on Christmas Eve. It seemed so much bigger then. The church will be burned down soon and made part of the cemetery. There is a lot of mold throughout the church and is too costly to clean and continue to keep open. They haven't held any church service here all year. If any of you have pictures of Hartland you'd like to share, email to me and I'll include in a future newsletter.





Uncle Charlie has passed away.
His funeral service was today. He was 98.
He was the last living sibling of Grandad's.
Rest in Peace, Uncle Charlie.
We will miss you...

God Made a Farmer

And on the 8th day, God looked down on his planned paradise and said, "I need a caretaker." So God made a farmer.

God said, "I need somebody willing to get up before dawn, milk cows, work all day in the fields, milk cows again, eat supper and then go to town and stay past midnight at a meeting of the school board."

So God made a farmer.

"I need somebody with arms strong enough to rustle a calf and yet gentle enough to deliver his own grandchild. Somebody to call hogs, tame cantankerous machinery, come home hungry, have to wait lunch until his wife's done feeding visiting ladies and tell the ladies to be sure and come back real soon – and mean it." So God made a farmer.

God said, "I need somebody willing to sit up all night with a newborn colt. And watch it die. Then dry his eyes and say, 'Maybe next year.' I need somebody who can shape an ax handle from a persimmon sprout, shoe a horse with a hunk of car tire, who can make harness out of haywire, feed sacks and shoe scraps. And who, planting time and harvest season, will finish his forty-hour week by Tuesday noon, then, 'pain 'n' from 'tractor back,' put in another seventy-two hours." So God made a farmer.

God had to have somebody willing to ride the rats at double speed to get the hay in ahead of the rain clouds and yet stop in mid-field and race to help when he sees the first smoke from a neighbor's place.

So God made a farmer.

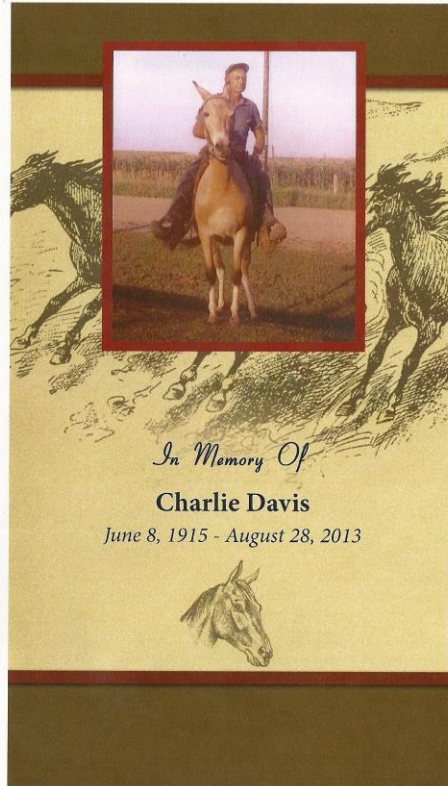
God said, "I need somebody strong enough to clear trees and heave bails, yet gentle enough to tame lambs and wean pigs and tend the pink-combed pullets, who will stop his mower for an hour to splint the broken leg of a meadow lark. It had to be somebody who'd plow deep and straight and not cut corners. Somebody to seed, weed, feed, breed and rake and disc and plow and plant and tie the fleece and strain the milk and replenish the self-feeder and finish a hard week's work with a five-mile drive to church.

"Somebody who'd bale a family together with the soft strong bonds of sharing, who would laugh and then sigh, and then reply, with smiling eyes, when his son says he wants to spend his life 'doing what dad does.'" So God made a farmer.

-by Paul Harvey, 1978

Arrangements By

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Charlie Davis, 98, of Conrad, died Wednesday, August 28, at the Oakview Nursing Home in Conrad. His family wishes to thank everyone for their care and concerns, visits, calls, cards and letters. They also want to express a sincere and special appreciativeness to the staff of Oakview in Conrad, Iowa River Hospice and Rev. Gene and Jolene Kubli.

Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, August 31, at the Mitchell Family Funeral Home in Marshalltown with visitation being one-hour prior to the services. He will be laid to rest in the Clemons Cemetery. For condolences, please visit www.mitchellfh.com. Ph. 641-844-1234.

Born Charlie Lawrence Davis on June 8, 1915, in East Bend, North Carolina, he was the son of Tom and Mary (Hobson) Davis. When he was three years old, his family moved to Marshall County, Iowa, and he farmed on the same country mile block north of Clemons. He graduated from the Clemons High School in 1932. On December 27, 1939, he was united in marriage to Evelyn Couser of Zearing at the Little Brown Church.

Charlie will be fondly remembered by many for entertaining family and friends, collecting and trading antiques, and anything connected to horses and mules. He loved telling jokes and remembered every one he heard. He had a special fondness for music and growing things – crops, animals and gardens. He took pride in straight, clean rows of crops and a tidy farm place. One of his legacies is instilling a work ethic in his children, who are eternally grateful and will love him forever.

Even though Marshall County was home since age three, Charlie loved North Carolina. He made 70 plus trips there in his lifetime. In turn, many relatives and friends visited their home over the years. A special highlight was the annual Yadkin County pheasant hunter's visit to Clemons.

Left to cherish his memory are Evelyn, his loving wife of 73 years; son, Danny (Donna) Davis; daughters: Ruth (Larry) Eggers, Dixie (Dennis) Walters, and JoDee Davis; special daughter, Iola (Robert) Batey; his grandchildren: Todd and Troy (Lynn) Eggers, and Greg Smith; great-grandchildren: Amber, Brianna, and Dylan Smith, and Jackson and McKenna Eggers; and great-great-granddaughter Kirra Carson. Also surviving is his sister-in-law Clarice Davis, and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

In death, he rejoined his parents; brothers, Ralph, Howard, Tom and Wayne; sisters, Safrona Speas, Ruby Dauplaise, and Pearl Christensen.



The Mitchell Family Funeral Home

In Memory Of Charlie Davis

Date of Birth

June 8, 1915

Date of Death

August 28, 2013

Services

11:00 a.m., Saturday
August 31, 2013
Mitchell Family Funeral Home

Officiating

Pastor Gene Kubli
Pastor Harlan Nuss

A Message in Music

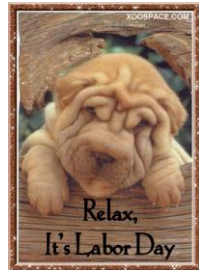
Jan Randall, Instrumentalist
Ruth Eggers, Dixie Walters, JoDee Davis
"How Great Thou Art"

Final Resting Place

Clemons Cemetery
Clemons, Iowa

All are invited to join the family for lunch in the Hospitality Room of Mitchell Family Funeral Home following the service.

IMPORTANT SEPTEMBER DATES



2nd - Happy Labor Day!



4th – Rosh Hashanah

9.11.2001 We'll Never Forget!



Gray's Lake 9.11.12 :: Des Moines, IA



A flag planted for every person that perished on 9.11



13th - Yom Kippur

22nd - First Day of Autumn

