



## Jesse Blanchard

September 15, 1920 - August 14, 2015

Jesse Blanchard, age 94, of Milford died on Friday August 14, 2015 at Lakes Regional Healthcare in Spirit Lake. Memorial services will be 11:00 AM Tuesday August 25th at First Lutheran Church in West Okoboji. Visitation will be 5:00 - 7:00 PM Monday August 24th at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home in Spirit Lake.

Jesse Milton Blanchard, the son of Jesse Milton and Maude Blanche (Whitehill) Blanchard, was born on September 15, 1920 in Lone Rock, Iowa. He graduated from Lone Rock High School in 1938. Jesse then attended Iowa State University until his service in the U.S. Army during WWII. On August 11, 1946 Jesse was united in marriage with Nancy Evelyn Drown in Des Moines. Jesse owned and operated Blanchard Lumber and Hardware in Lone Rock until 1969. They moved to Des Moines and Jesse worked at Payless Cashways Lumber until retirement in 1986. After retirement they moved to Hot Springs Village Retirement Community in Arkansas. In 2008 Jesse and Nancy moved to Milford. He enjoyed baseball, crossword puzzles, Lawrence Welk and golfing where he had 3 holes-in-one.

Left to cherish Jesse's memory is his wife of 69 years, Nancy; two daughters, Jill (Robert) Burns of Beaverton, Ontario and Cindy (Peter) Redmond of Spirit Lake; five grandchildren; four great grandchildren; and a sister, Doris Schultz of Spencer. He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Mollie

Vierkant; four brothers, Harlan, Donald, Gordon, and Eugene Blanchard; and three sisters, Rita Flynn, Lucille Sones and Ersel Alme.

Memorials may be made in Jesse's memory and directed to the First Lutheran Church Education Department.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Having been born and raised in Lone Rock, I had the pleasure of knowing and being in contact with Jesse many times growing up and needing things from the hardware store. He was always pleasant and friendly and a staple in our little community. I had not seen him for many years having left home to enter the Navy in 1961. My sincere condolences, thoughts and prayers are with the entire family. Best wishes to all and God Bless. Warm regards, Paul and Jackie Geitzenauer

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**Paul Geitzenauer** - August 28, 2015 at 07:55 PM

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“ Jesse Blanchard

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**Chad Schuchert** - August 22, 2015 at 06:12 PM

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“ Dear Cindy, Your Friends at Bar-S are deeply saddened by the news of your father's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Please receive our most sincere condolences.

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**Bar-S Foods** - August 19, 2015 at 04:53 PM

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“ Cindy, Pete and family, so sorry to hear of the loss of your father. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Hugs to you.

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**Sally Christensen** - August 15, 2015 at 07:07 PM