

BEAVER, T. MAX

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T. Max Beaver, age 96 of Wilmot died February 10, 2014, in Wilmot.

Services will be Friday, February 14, 2014, at 2:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church in Wilmot. Burial with military honors will be in the Wilmot City Cemetery.

Tolly Max Beaver was born August 25, 1917, in Wilmot, SD. He attended the University of Minnesota and graduated in 1939 with a Bachelor of Science degree in agriculture.

Max married Dorene Mae Phillips on April 17, 1938, in Elk Point, SD. Max worked with the civil service and agricultural related jobs.

In the spring of 1944, Max was drafted into the United States Army and served in the South Pacific beginning in January of 1945. He received a Purple Heart Medal, the Bronze Star Medal, and other medals. After his recovery he continued to serve with the 96th Infantry Division until an honorable discharge in January of 1946.

In 1951 the family moved to their farm west of Wilmot where Max raised Purebred Aberdeen Angus cattle and farmed.

Due to health reasons there was a move to Leola, SD in 1967. Max was the supervisor for the Farm Home Administration. It was after his wife's death in 2001 that he returned to Wilmot to reside.

Survivors include one son, Maurice (Ruth Ellen) Beaver of Wilmot; four daughters: Gloria Hult, Beresford; Sharon (Merlyn) Ammann, Wilmot; Lavonne (Stan) Albrecht, Aberdeen; Jane (Ralph) Kranzler, Brandon; 16 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; one great-great granddaughter.