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HASTINGS - Billy Walter "Willi" Stubbe, 90, formerly of Ayr, died Thursday, Jan. 20, 2011, at Perkins Pavilion Good Samaritan Society-Hastings Village, Hastings.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Butler Volland Chapel, Hastings with Pastor Joel Remmers officiating. Burial with military rites will be in Blue Valley Cemetery, Ayr. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday with family present and one hour prior to service at the funeral home.

Mr. Stubbe was born April 2, 1920, in Spaldingsfelde, Germany to Wilhelm Karl and Emma Auguste Emilie (Spremberg) Stubbe.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Margaretta M. Stubbe and a daughter, Sharon A. Hamik. Survivors of the immediate family include two daughters and two sons-in-law, Shirley and Mike Walsh of Reno, Nev., and Betty and Bob Dvorak of St. Paul; a son-in-law, Gerald Hamik of Hastings.

Additional survivors include grandchildren and spouses, Jeff and Pam Hamik of Ayr, Gregory and Courtney Hamik of Lincoln, Ryan and Grisel Walsh of Reno, Nev., and Kellie Ramirez of Sacramento, Calif., seven great-grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and a brother-in-law, Glen Rothfuss of Hastings.

The family emigrated from Germany arriving at Ellis Island on Feb. 19, 1929, and then came to the Adams County area in Nebraska. He attended school in rural Adams County. On Feb. 6, 1943, he married Margaretta M. Rothfuss at the Zion Lutheran Church in Corvallis, Ore. She preceded him in death in October 2008. Billy was inducted into the Army on Sept. 28, 1942, serving in the Pacific Theater. He received a Bronze Star Medal and a Purple Heart Medal. He was honorably discharged on Dec. 19, 1945. He returned to the family farm by Hastings. He then moved to a farm by Ayr where he farmed and resided until moving to Good Samaritan Village in September of 2008.

Billy was also preceded in death by his parents; and great-great-granddaughter, Kiara N. Roman.

Memorials may be given to First St. Paul's Lutheran Church or Perkins Pavilion for the purchase of wide screen televisions for the residents.