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Obituary for Allen E. White

Allen E. White, passed away peacefully on Saturday, June 4, 2016, at his home in Hardin, Missouri.

He was granted an earthly life of 94 years, 6 months, and 19 days.

It was on November 16, 1921, in Millville, Missouri, that the Lord blessed the home of Hugh and Minnie (Dudgeon) White with the gift of a son. On September 9, 1945, Allen married Dorothy Mae VanPelt in Hardin, Missouri, and to this union they were blessed with four children. Dorothy preceded him in death in 2010.

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Allen attended Liberty School in rural Hardin, Missouri. He enlisted into the Army and proudly served his country in the Pacific Arena. Upon returning from the service he began farming in Ray County and continued farming with his family until retiring. He loved raising cattle and they were the most important part of his farming operation. Black Angus were his favorite and all his replacement helpers were farm raised. Allen enjoyed being with his family and being a part of the Hardin Centennial in 1970. He grew his lovely beard out for the occasion and was said to look like Abraham Lincoln. Allen served boards with the Hardin-Central Schools, Ray County Farm Bureau, and MFA Advisory Board. He was a member of the Church of Brethren, Wakenda Church, Rockingham Church, and Bethany Church.

Allen is survived by his four children, Sherry (Jerry) Engelbrecht, of Higginsville, Missouri, Sandra Cantrell, of Hardin, Missouri, Brad (Terri) White, of Hardin, Missouri, and Susie White, of Hardin, Missouri; 13 grandchildren, Jenny (Chad) Meineka, Josh (Cara) Engelbrecht, Clint (Vicki) Laughman, Clay (Trish) Laughman, Jody (Jess) Jenkins, Jessie (Rob) Mace, Katie (Jacob) Saffley, Dana White, Cori (Derek) Nelson, Casi (Geoffroy) Avard, Gabe Lock, Maggie (Travis) Rohlfing, and Mandy Lock; 19 great-grandchildren; three nephews, Buford White Jr., Bruce White, and Clifton White Jr.; three nieces, Rosemary Happy, Vicky Kohl, and Debbie Foster.

Besides his parents and wife, Allen is preceded in death by three brothers, Huston White, Buford White Sr., Clifton White, Sr., and one sister, Lucille Gilbert.

There will be a Graveside Memorial service at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 8, 2016, at Wakenda Cemetery, Hardin, Missouri, with Pastor Jason Frazer officiating.