



## Durl Charles Schletzbaum

March 26, 1919 - March 30, 2019

Durl grew up on a farm in Kansas. He worked with his mother, father, grandmother and siblings to help the family make a living during the Great Depression and Dust Bowl years. He attended a one-room schoolhouse, participated in Christian Endeavor, and was a 4-H member.

Durl began his 45-year career as a baker at Meyers Bakery in Atchison, Kansas. After serving in World War II from 1941- 1954, Durl worked in bakeries in Selina, Kansas, Ames and Marshalltown before purchasing a bakery in Knoxville and opening the Royal Pastry Shop where he made cakes, pies, cookies, and bread for 24 years. Making beautiful decorated cakes for weddings and other special occasions was his specialty. He served his profession as the president of the Iowa Baker's Association for two years.

In Retirement, Durl documented through video and photography hours of his grandchildren's lives when attending their sporting events, graduations and weddings. He enjoyed every minute he was around them as they grew up. Durl got to travel extensively; he visited all 50 states and 9 countries. He developed his wood-working skills and made gifts for family and friends including benches, high chairs, quilt stands, toys and more. Durl was the secretary for the Iowa Baker's Association for 20 years, participated on the advisory board for Indian Hills Community College and found time to volunteer with the Historical Society and Kiwanas where he was the Chairman of the Pancake Days for many years. He was an active member of the Knoxville Church of Christ and enjoyed picnics at Red Rocks Lake and game nights with close friends. In his 90's, he enjoyed time with his great-grandchildren.

Durl will be remembered for his love of family, faith, sense of humor, kindness, creativity, patience and steadfast devotion.

# Cemetery

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## Graceland Cemetery

102 N. Willetts Drive  
Knoxville, IA, 50138

# Events

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**APR 2** **Family Greeting** 10:30AM - 12:00PM

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Winfield Funeral Home  
202 Washington, Knoxville, IA, US, 50138

**APR 2** **Service** 01:00PM

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# Comments

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“ We are sorry to hear of the passing of Durl. I remember enjoying the baked goods of the Royal Bakery. He lead a good long life and are being missed by all who knew him. Robert & Mary Pinegar



**Mary Pinegar** - April 02, 2019 at 11:53 AM

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“ Kayla Davis lit a candle in memory of Durl Charles Schletzbaum



**Kayla Davis** - April 02, 2019 at 04:30 AM