

## Clarence B. Gels

Clarence B. Gels, age 102 of North Lake Ill., passed away on Tuesday, April 26, 2011 in Illinois.

He was born Feb. 9, 1909 in St. Henry to Henry and Veronica (Meyers) Gels.



On Aug. 23, 1932 he married Alma B. (Seitz) Gels in St. Henry and she died June 29, 2005.

Clarence is survived by four children: Donald and Lois Gels of New Canaan, Conn., Barbara and Jerry Thompson of Huntley, Ill., Cindy & Richard Succa of Corona Del Mar, Calif. and Linda Gels of Evanston, Ill.; 14 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his wife, parents, a daughter: Carol Booth, a grandchild, two brothers: Leo and Ferdinand and three sisters: Bernie, Anna and Clara.

Clarence graduated from St. Henry High School in 1926. He received a B.A. from Northwestern University in 1947, a CPA degree from the University of Illinois in 1948 and an AMP from Harvard Business School in 1960.

He was General Manager and Director of Grocery Operations for Swift & Co. from 1927-1969. He served as regional postmaster general covering 13 midwest states for the U.S. Postal Service from 1969-1976 and was owner of Midway Concrete Products Co. in Fond du lac, Wisc. from 1978-1983.

He served as Director of the National Cannery Association, was a member of the Illinois Society of CPA's, past president of the Fond du lac Serra Club and a former member of the St. Peters Holy Name Society.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 30, 2011 at St. Henry Catholic Church in St. Henry with Fr. Benedict Magabe, officiating. Burial followed in St. Henry Cemetery.

Condolences may be left at [hogenkampfh.com](http://hogenkampfh.com).