Rimey “Rowdy” Cary, 75

Rimey “Rowdy” “Big Tater” Cary, 75, of Boonville, died Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1998, at Columbia Regional Hospital. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 am Saturday at the St. John’s Evangelical United Church of Christ in Billingsville with the Rev. Mary Harris officiating. Burial will be in St. John’s Cemetery. Friends may call after noon Friday and until 9 am Saturday at the Thacher Funeral Home in Boonville with the family receiving friends from 7 to 8:30 pm Friday.

Rimey Smith Cary was born April 12, 1923, at Speed, the son of Rimey and Molly Cartner Cary. He married Wilma Gerhardt on Jan. 12, 1952, in Billingsville. She preceded him in death in November, 1986. Mr. Cary was a member of the St. John’s Evangelical Church in Billingsville. He was a veteran of WWII and lived most of his life in the Speed and Billingsville communities. He was a truck driver for a number of years and also hauled lime and fertilizer. He loved hunting, fishing, and his garden.

Surviving is one daughter, Susan Hayes of Tipton; one brother, William Carey of Pilot Grove; three sisters, Ruth Peniston of Independence, Alma Mae Ostrander of Kansas City, and Mollie Evanoff of Clinton; and a number of nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, by four brothers and two sisters.

Memorials are suggested to the St. John’s Evangelical United Church of Christ in Billingsville.

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