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Laurel Keith Mattax was born on November 9th, 1920 in rural Adams County where his family has lived for years. He is the son of Irenios Vance Mattax and Coral Elizabeth (Myers) Mattax. He married Virginia Romaine Flueckiger on March 12, 1944. He attended Jack school which was approximately a mile away from the homestead. He received many acres it is unclear if he inherited a parcel or the entire chunk of land from his father Irenios. He farmed mainly all his land and had a bit of livestock. He took a course in electrical and taught himself to be an electrician. This added a decent income on top of the farming that he did. He was an Adams Central board member four years. He came down with Parkinson's Disease in the 1990's. He loved to travel and had visited 48 states when he had passed. Him and his wife had four daughters, 13 grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren. He passed away in December 2nd, 2002. His death was not from the Parkinson's disease. He had become ill and had died from congestive heart failure or had fallen to the sickness.

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