



## Charles Arthur Flaiz

September 5, 1914 - September 12, 2008

Charles A. Flaiz, age 94, a resident of Severy, Kansas died Friday, September 12, 2008. Charles was born on September 5, 1914 in Severy, Kansas the son of Richard and Minnie Vollmer Flaiz.

Charles was a graduate of Severy High School. After high school, he served his country during WWII in the United States Army Air Force. While serving in England he played on a baseball team.

Charles was united in marriage on May 12, 1947 to Ellen Pauline Gilbert in Severy and she preceded him in death on May 20, 1991.

In 1947, Charles began working at the Severy Post Office, where he was employed for 33 years. During the first seven years of his employment he served as acting postmaster twice and as a substitute rural mail carrier on route 2. On August 20, 1954, he was appointed postmaster and he served in that capacity until August 28, 1980 holding the postmaster position in Severy for 26 years, longer than anyone else. Some of his biggest enjoyments in life were spending time with his son-in-law Larry at the oil lease, and his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Some of his hobbies include hunting, fishing. One of his highlights was being able to fish with the sportsman's friend Harold Ensley.

Charles is survived by two daughters; Sue Hurt and son-in-law Larry of Climax, Kansas and Nancy Flaiz of Wichita, Kansas, 3 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father Arthur Richard and mother Minnie Vollmer Flaiz, his wife Ellen, two brothers; Richard and Otto, five sisters; Alice, Nina, Lorene, Catherine, and Irene.

Funeral services will be held at 11 AM Tuesday, September 16, 2008 at the Severy Baptist Church in Severy, Kansas with Pastor Tony Pameticky officiating. Interment will be at the South Lawn Cemetery. At the request of the family there will be no viewing. In lieu of flowers family suggests contributions to the Severy Baptist Church and they may be left with the funeral home. Arrangements are under the direction of Zimmerman Funeral Home, Howard, Kansas 620-374-2381. Online condolences may be left at [www.countrysidefh.com](http://www.countrysidefh.com).