M.B. "Stinky" Davis, 80

M.B. "Stinky" Davis, 80, of Grinnell, died Thursday, March 4, 2004, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services for M.B. Davis were held at 11 a.m. today (Monday) at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell, with the Rev. H. Burr Bryant, pastor of the Montezuma United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was at Pleasant Township Cemetery in Ewart. The son of Burton F. and Mary M. Rupert Davis, he was born Dec. 19, 1923, near Clearfield. He was raised in Mt. Ayr and was a 1941 graduate of Mt. Ayr High School. He later moved to the Grinnell area and worked as a farmhand.

He married Juanita Morrison on March 19, 1944, at her parents' farm home near Grinnell. The couple farmed south of Grinnell for many years.

He was a member of the Grinnell Eagles Lodge, the Grinnell Elks Lodge and the Farm Bureau.

Survivors include his wife, Juanita of Grinnell; six daughters, Rosemary Weaver of Grinnell, Patricia Trucks of Lenox, Beverly Olson of Round Rock, Texas, Catherine Gilbreath of Newton and Debra Mielak and Jacqueline Davis, both of Grinnell; one sister, Mary Ann Sprague of Lincoln, Neb.; 19 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Nancy Mathes; and a brother, Paul Davis.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the M.B. Davis Memorial Fund.