Dale P. Smith, 68

Dale P. Smith, 68, of Brooklyn, died Sunday, Aug. 31, 2003, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Graveside services will be held 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 3, at Brooklyn Memorial Cemetery, with Rev. William Korns officiating.

Nevenhoven Funeral Home of Brooklyn was in charge of arrangements.

A memorial fund has been established.

Dale Phillip Smith, the son of Phillip Henry and Mildred Florence (Melsa) Smith, was born May 3, 1935, on a farm near Haven, south of Tama. He received his education in a rural school. He graduated from Brooklyn High School in 1953. He joined the U.S. Army reserves in 1957.

On Oct. 6, 1956, he married Madonna June Roberts at the First Presbyterian Church in Brooklyn. He farmed for several years near Brooklyn. He was last employed by Grinnell College as a groundskeeper. He retired in 1997.

Dale was a member of the First Presbyterian Church. He helped start the Poweshiek Rural Water Association. He served as its secretary for many years. He also was an ambulance driver for East Poweshiek Ambulance Service.

He was preceded in death by his father and his daughter, Kathleen Ann.

Dale is survived by his wife, Madonna; his mother, Mildred Smith, of Brooklyn; his son, Kevin, of Brooklyn; his daughter and her husband, Diane and Todd Van Ersvelde, of North Liberty; and five grandchildren, Craig, Luke and Krystal Smith, and Courtney and Nicole Van Ersvelde.