Thomas Edwin
Burchland


A private graveside service is being held at Prairievlew Cemetery in Gilman. A memorial fund has been established. Mitchell Family Funeral Home in Marshalltown is in charge of arrangements.

He was born March 10, 1922, in Van Cleve, Iowa, the son of Edwin and Thea Larson Burchland. He graduated from Gilman High School in 1940.

He was united in marriage with Frances Michaels on Nov. 28, 1943, at her family home in Newburg. They farmed in the Gilman community. He was a member of the Gilman Community Church, Gilman Lions Club, Gilman School Board and the Gilman Farmers' Cooperative.

He is survived by his daughters and son, Sonja Willau of Grundy Center, Karen Freeborn of Ankeny, Kathy Knoll of Clarinda and Mike Burchland of Gilman; 11 grandchildren; 29 great grandchildren; and one sister, Dolly Schrur of Colo. He was preceded in death by his wife, Frances; his parents; his sister, Margaret Lambert; and his brother, Nils Burchland.