Curtis Eugene Worthy, 80, of Burlington, formerly of the Grinnell area, died Friday, Nov. 21, 2008, at the Great River Hospice House in West Burlington.

A funeral service was held Monday, Nov. 24, at First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Burlington with the Rev. Tom Smith officiating. Interment was in Aspen Grove Cemetery. A memorial fund has been established for Great River Hospice House.

He was born April 25, 1928, in Mahaska County, the son of Herbert Edwin and Jesse Ellen Brubaker Worthy. He was a 1946 graduate of Grinnell High School. In his early years he farmed in the Grinnell area. On April 2, 1950, he was united in marriage with Donna Marie Nichols in Chariton. He and his wife moved to Burlington in 1960. He was a foreman in the gas meter repair shop for Iowa Southern Utilities for 35 years. He retired in 1995.

He was a member of First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). He enjoyed attending auctions, square dancing at Circle Square B, flowers, gardening, and especially spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include wife, Donna of Burlington; three sons, Richard Worthy of Indianapolis, Ind., John Worthy of Frederick, S.D., and Duane Worthy of Danville; one daughter, Marlys Casey of West Burlington; six grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; three sisters, Charlotte Rudkin of Wichita, Kan., Adah Humziker of Pella, and Donna Holland of Newton; and one brother, and five sisters.