William "Willie" Carver, 86

William “Willie” Carver, 86, of Malcom, died in the early morning hours of Nov. 5, 2011, at Brooklyn Community Estate in Brooklyn.

A celebration of his life will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 12, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell.

Interment will be in Ivy Hill Cemetery in Malcom.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m., with the family present to greet friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Memorials may be designated to the William Carver Memorial Fund, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.

Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at www.smithfh.com.

William "Willie" Carver was born Sept. 25, 1925, in Anniston, Ala., to the union of Elder and Amazonia Caver—the youngest of their six children.

In his 86 years of living he drove trucks for over 60 years, and during his travels, met many interesting people from all over the United States some of which became personal friends. As his line of work indicates, he loved to travel. He had a passion for life and lived it to the fullest. He was well liked and will be truly missed.

On June 10, 1992, he was united in marriage with Teresa Kelley, and from that union were born their children, Benjamin and Suzanne Carver. He also had two sons, Marshall and Richard Caver, from a previous marriage to Minnie Lee Stevenson.

His memory will be cherished by his loving and devoted wife, Teresa; his daughter, Suzanne Lee Carver; three sons, Marshall Caver, Richard Caver and Benjamin K. Carver; six grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and several other relatives and friends.