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A prayer service was held at 1 p.m., Friday, Dec. 5, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell. The Rev. Del Dawes officiated. Burial was in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to the Grinnell Regional Hospice.

Melvin Louis Sieck was born on Feb. 9, 1926, the son of Louis F. and Josephine Kriegel Sieck on the family farm in Tama County. He attended rural schools and then helped on the farm. Melvin started truck driving, and later, he owned and operated Sieck Trucking.

On Oct. 12, 1945, he married Audrey Wells and they had three children, Karen, Diana, and Melvin Jr. The couple later divorced. Melvin married Pauline McDonald on July 27, 1963, and they had two sons, Randy and Rodney.

Melvin enjoyed working on the farm and on his truck. He liked to go camping and fishing, and always loved spending time with the grandkids.

Melvin is survived by his children, Karen (Dale) Reitzler of Polo, Mo., Diana (Greg) Risbeck of Chariton, Randy (Tammy) Sieck of Ireton, and Rodney (Kimberly) Sieck of Grinnell; 12 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and his brothers, Lloyd (Shirley) Sieck of Grinnell, Wayne (Saundra) Sieck of Amarillo, Texas, and Ronnie (Margaret) Sieck of Grinnell.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Pauline, on April 6, 2007; his son, Melvin Louis, Jr., who died in infancy; and one brother, Paul Sieck.

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