# **OBITUARIES**

# Kenneth R. "K.R." Brannian, 85

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in charge of arrangements.

Kenneth is survived by his wife, Esther, of Brooklyn; two daughters, Jeanne Clayton (Rusty) of Brooklyn, Kim Bauman (Lyle) of Brooklyn, and one son, Kurt (Kim) Brannian of Carlisle; six grandchildren, Lauren Dillon (Eric) of Chicago, Reed Clayton of Ames, Wyatt Bauman and Allison Bauman of Mt. Vernon, Brock Brannian and Hölly Brannian of Carlisle Also surviving are two brothers, Keith and Donald Brannian of Brooklyn.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and a son,

David, in infancy.

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K.R. enjoyed going to car races in Knoxville, R.V.ing, Farm Progress Shows, and bluegrass music. He especially

was proud of his grandchildren.

Online condolences may be extended to the family at www.klosterfuneralhome.com.

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