LOWELL THOMAS MCCLURE

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Lowell Thomas McClure, the son of Everett and Sarah (Carr) McClure, was born on November 29, 1929 in Mahaska County. He graduated from Barnes City High School with the class of 1946. On March 10, 1948, Lowell was united in marriage to Rosalie Schultze at the First Presbyterian Church in Oskaloosa. To this union five children were born, Deborah, Beth, Thomas, Mark and Steve. Lowell farmed in the Barnes City and Searsboro areas before purchasing a farm north of Deep River in 1963 retiring in 1980.

Lowell stayed busy working as a custodian at Grinnell College, he did custom paint work, custom tiling and was a substitute mail carrier and bus driver. Following his retirement, Lowell and Rosalie moved to Montezuma and wintered in Arizona for many years. He enjoyed hunting, golfing, playing pool, playing cards and spending time with his family. Lowell also loved to fish and enjoying his fishing trips to Minnesota. He was a member of the Grinnell Presbyterian Church and a 50 year member of the Masonic Lodge.

His memory is honored by his five children, Deborah (Dan) Rieder of Guernsey, Beth Schwerfeger of Winterset, Tom (Patti) McClure of Williamsburg, Mark (Carol) McClure of Indianola and Steve McClure of Grinnell; ten grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

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