Orville M. Sanders, 82

Orville M. Sanders, 82, of What Cheer, died Sunday, Nov. 27, 2005 at his home.

His funeral service was held on Thursday, Dec. 1, at the Harden Funeral Chapel in What Cheer with the Rev. John Hembry officiating. Interment followed at the Sixteen Cemetery near Thornburg. The Harden Funeral Chapel in What Cheer was in charge of the arrangements.

Orville was born on Feb. 23, 1923 in What Cheer, the son of John and Ethel Reed Sanders. He was raised in the Barnes City area and attended the Barnes City High School. After completing school he started farming with his father. On March 14, 1946, he was united in marriage with Phyllis Cridar at the Deep River Christian Church. Orville spent his life farming in the What Cheer and Deep River areas and retired in 1990. His enjoyments included fishing, coon hunting, playing cards and bowling.

Orville's memory is honored by his wife, Phyllis, of What Cheer; two daughters, Marilyn Sanders of Gilman and Barbara Howar and husband Jim of Marengo; a son, David Sanders, and special friend Kristi Ehle of Barnes City; five brothers, Ronald Sanders of Harahan, La., Robert Sanders of Montezuma, Donn Sanders of Barnes City, Marvin Sanders of Solon and Roger Sanders of Des Moines; four grandchildren, Jodi Bacon and husband Brian, Angela Hellman and husband Andrew, Lucas Howar and wife Ashley, and Jacob Howar; and three great-grandchildren, Allica Sanders, Dylan Bacon and Alesha Hellman.

Orville was preceded in death by a brother, Clyde Sanders.

Memorials in his name may be made to the Keokuk County Hospice.