CHARLES “CHARLIE” ALFRED LORTZ

Charles “Charlie” Alfred Lortz was born on July 13, 1929 near Millersburg, the son of George Alfred and Mabel Pearl (Montross) Lortz. He was graduated from Millersburg High School. On March 29, 1951, he was united in marriage to Beulah Wyant in Kirksville, Mo. They made their home in Millersburg, where Charlie farmed until 1986. Then they moved to Iowa City, where Charlie worked at the University until retiring in 2006. He was a member of the Millersburg Methodist Church. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, playing cards, traveling, watching the Chicago Cubs and all things Hawkeye. Charlie passed away Jan. 29 at Mercy Hospital in Iowa City at the age of 87.

Charlie is survived by his wife, Beulah of Iowa City; five children, Cindy (Mike) Ewen of Davenport, Jeff Lortz of Marengo, Becky (Jim) Risdon of Marengo, Christine “Bub” (Randy) Folkmann of Parnell and David (Elaine) Lortz of Marion; 14 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and a sister, Georgia Warner of North English.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Debrah Schultz; a grandson, Jason Schultz; and two sisters, Katherine Orr and LaDean Haack.

Services were Jan. 31, at the Millersburg Methodist Church with the Rev. Michelle Williamson and the Rev. Kirk Statler officiating. Burial was at Millersburg Cemetery with Powell Funeral Home in charge.