William DeGreef, 89, Newton

William DeGreef, 89, of Newton passed away March 8, 2006. Funeral services were held March 11, at the Wallace Family Funeral Home in Newton. Interment was held at Newton Memorial Park Cemetery in Newton. Memorials can be given to Hospice of Jasper County.

William was born Nov. 8, 1916, in Kellogg to Jacob and Henderieka (Kingma) DeGreef. He served his country in the U.S. Army during WW II. He lived in rural Kellogg until he moved to Newton in 1981. William was married to Laura Ann Hoadley on Oct. 6, 1985, in Montezuma.

He is survived by a grandson, Brian (Robyn) Hamilton of Knoxville; a granddaughter, Brenda (David) DeHaai of Monroe; five great-grandchildren; two brothers: John (Connie) DeGreef of Newton, Jake (Freda) DeGreef of Kellogg; a sister-in-law, Lucille DeGreef of Newton; a daughter-in-law, Linda Carr of Nashville, Tennessee; and a special friend Jo Ann Sheeler.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Laura; a son, Keith Hamilton; a great-grandson, Brandon; two sisters: Elizabeth and Bertha DeGreef; two brothers: Martinis DeGreef and Henry in infancy.