Valentine Van Rheenen, 94, Pella

Valentine H. Van Rheenen, 94 of Pella passed away March 2, 2006. Funeral services were held March 4, at the Third Reformed Church in Pella. Interment was held at Oakwood Cemetery in Pella. Memorials can be given to Hospice of Pella.

Valentine H. Van Rheenen, son of Henry and Maggie Mathes Van Rheenen, was born May 25, 1911, near Galesburg.

On Feb. 17, 1937, Val was united in marriage with Berdena Kolenbrander at the home of her parents near Pella. Val and Berdena lived on the family farm for over sixty years prior to moving to Pella.

Those left to cherish his memory are: his son and his wife, Verlan and Norma Van Rheenen of Kalamazoo, Michigan; his daughter and her husband, Sharyl and Marvin Wielard of Sioux Center; four grandchildren: Sara Rapp, Susan Van Rheenen, Marc Wielard, and Paul Wielard; and six great-grandchildren; two sisters: Agnes Witzenburg of Pella, Marguerite Van Zee of Minnesota, and Irene Harder; two brothers: Ralph Van Rheenen of Pella and Clifford Van Rheenen of Illinois.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Berdena, who passed away June 2, 2003; one sister: Betty Klyn; four brothers: William, John, Chalmer, and Gary Van Rheenen.