Marvin Vos, 72, Lynville

Marvin L. Vos, 72, of Lynville passed away Aug. 12, 2005. Funeral services were held Aug. 16, at the Sully Christian Reformed Church. Casket bearers were his family. Interment was held at the Sully Cemetery.

Memorials can be given to the Sully Christian Grade School or Back to God Hour.

Marvin Louis Vos was born on May 13, 1933, on the family farm south of Sully. He was the oldest of seven sons that were born to Joe C. and Elizabeth Johanna (Moes) Vos. Marvin attended the Sully Christian Grade School and completed the eighth grade. Marv, as he was known, worked as a farm hand for farmers in Poweshiek and Jasper County. In April of 1953, he was called to serve his country and did so during the Korean Conflict with the United States Army. He served in Germany and was honorably discharged in the fall of 1955.

On Dec. 14, 1956, he was united in marriage to Joan Wilma Branderhorst, a daughter of Lambert and Hendreen (Veldhuizen) Branderhorst, at the First Christian Reformed Church in Oskaloosa. To this union, seven children were born: Verlan, Loren, Keith, Douglas, Beverly, Brian, and Julie. Marv and Joan farmed in the Searsboro, Monroe and Lynville, vicinities. Marv drove a tank wagon for Leighton Gas & Oil from 1971 to 1975, and later drove truck for Macy Stockyards from 1975 to 1979. They eventually settled back north of Sully on a farmstead where Marv lived the remainder of his life. In March of 1995, Marv took a job driving truck for Ron Williams Trucking which he did until Monday, August 8, 2005, when Marv sustained a heart attack, and was eventually transported, via Lifeflight, to Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa. After several heroic attempts to save his life, Marv passed away on Friday, Aug. 12. Those left to cherish his memory are his wife of 48 years, Joan; their seven children and their spouses, 14 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. They are: Verlan and Lori (Lowry) Vos of Searsboro, Nate, Reid, Libbie Vos; Loren and Tammy (Brand) Vos of Sully, Brandon, Jordan Vos; Keith Vos of Grinnell, Logan, Becca Vos; Doug and Brenda (Van Haften) Vos of Sully, Jessica Vos; Beverly and Cecil Arthur of Searsboro, Brittna, Nick Arthur; Brian and Sandy (Porter) Vos of New Virginia, Brad and Andrea Griffin, Abby, Tad, Michael, Eli Vos; Julie and Scott Watts of Runnells, Carson, Cailey Watts.

Of his original family, he leaves five brothers and their spouses, along with one sister-in-law: Lois (Raymond) Vos of Pella, Clifford and Mildred Vos of Reasnor, Robert and Pearl Vos, a sister of Joan, of Lynville, Creston and Evelyn Vos of Ankeny, Gene and Linda Vos of Pella, and Norman and Connie Vos of Pella. Of Joan’s original family, he leaves Marilyn and Ernie Louwsma of Oskaloosa, Calvin and Ruth Branderhorst of Oskaloosa, and RoseAnn and Larry Van Woerkom of New Sharon.

Marv was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Raymond Vos.