Richard G. Beebe, 73

Richard Glenn Beebe, 73, passed away on Sunday, June 4, 2006 of lung cancer.

A memorial service was held on Wednesday, June 7, at Westover Funeral Home, Des Moines, with the Rev. Ivan Rogers officiating. A private family interment was held at Graceland Cemetery, Knoxville. Westover Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Honorary pallbearers were Ryan Curtis, Brandon Larson, Scott Curtis, Josh Olson, Alex Larson and Hayden Rogers.

Richard was born on Aug. 13, 1932 the son of Hilbert Edwin Beebe and Ruby Alice (Smith) Beebe. He graduated from Montezuma High School in 1950. Richard served in the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict. On June 11, 1954, he married Janet Crawford at Montezuma. In 1995, after 32 years, he retired from Hocken-berg-Newburgh as a food broker. Richard was a member of Waveland Park Masonic Lodge.

Richard is survived by his wife of 52 years, Janet (Janie) Beebe; a brother, Robert (and Gail) Beebe of Sun City, Ariz.; a son, Thomas (and Aquila) Crawford of LaHabra, Calif.; two daughters, Debbie (and Mike) Curtis of Round Lake Beach, Ill. and Kim (and Rod) Shackelford of West Des Moines; six grandchildren; eight step-grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and nine step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a granddaughter, Rebecca Lynne Curtis.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society.