

Stewart L. Buchenau



Stewart L. Buchenau, 90, of Grinnell died Thursday, May 25, 2006, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A funeral service was held Tuesday at Smith Funeral Home with Steven and Lee Buchenau conducting the service. Pianist was Kathleen McCune. Casket bearers were Tim and Bryce Armstrong, Mike Hotchkin, Ken Saunders and Robert Smith. Honorary bearers were Everett Willemsen, Guilford Moore and Rick Peters. Interment was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

He was born Jan. 11, 1916, in rural Poweshiek County, the son of Lewis and Mary Enerson Buchenau. He was raised on the family farm and graduated from Grinnell High School. During World War II he served with the United States Navy in the Atlantic Theater. He was married on Nov. 18, 1944, to Frances Allen in Lynnville. The couple farmed near Prairie City and in 1966 moved to a farm near Grinnell. Although he moved into Grinnell in 1983, he never retired from farming as his life was devoted to farming and caring for his livestock.

He is survived by one son Steven Buchenau of Grinnell and one grandson, Lee A. Buchenau, also of Grinnell. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, one sister Flora Buchenau and one brother Laverne Buchenau.