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## Allen Lee Novak, 71

Allen Lee Novak, 71, died Sunday, October 22, 2006 at the Grinnell Regional Medical Center following a lingering illness. Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday at the Hrabak Funeral Home in Belle Plaine by Chaplain Susan Leathem of Grinnell Regional Hospice. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery, Belle Plaine. Friends may call from 4-7 p.m., Wednesday at the funeral home.



He is survived by his wife, Sharon of Hartwick; daughter, Doreen Novak of Belle Plaine; sons, Scott (fiancé Julie Puls), and Cole, both of Grinnell; sister, Helen Chvala of Hartwick; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Laura Koeppen Novak; brother, Russell and his wife Helen; brother-in-law, Adolph Chvala; and infant sister Esther.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.hrabakfuneralhome.com](http://www.hrabakfuneralhome.com) under "obituaries."

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He was born Nov. 10, 1934, near Clutier, the son of Edward and Laura Koeppen Novak. He attended rural school and, after his family moved to Harwick, Hartwick Public School. He was married on July 15, 1956, in Tama to Sharon Sue Ealy in Tama. They resided in Hartwick where he worked for Wilder Grain Company driving grain trucks. He later worked for Stokley Lumber Company in Hartwick; Pierce Lumber Co., Belle Plaine, and Mohr Farms in Ladora, from which he retired. He was a member of the Hartwick Volunteer Fire Department for 20 years. He enjoyed working on small motors and guns in his shop; attending auctions and visiting with people while buying guns, tools and shop equipment.

He is survived by his wife Sharon; three children, Scott Novak and Cole Novak of Grinnell and Doreen Novak of Belle Plaine; five grandchildren; four great grandchildren and one sister Helen Chvala of Hartwick. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother Russel.

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