Arnold Schulte

Arnold Schulte, 94, of Grinnell died Thursday, Nov. 30, 2006, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center while under the care of Grinnell Regional Hospice.

A funeral mass for Arnold Schulte was held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 4, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell, with Rev. William Reynolds officiating. Organist was Marilyn Kriegel. Pallbearers included Duane Bissen, Virgil Groth, Mike Hotchkin, Dr. Clark Jensen, Mel Rummelhart and Jim Slesbiski. Burial was at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Born Sept. 5, 1912, in Emery, S.D., he was the son of George and Mary Lohman Schulte. He was raised in Emery and received his education at St. Martin's Parochial School. For several years, he worked on the family farm.

On Jan. 23, 1939, he married Mary L. Healy at St. Martin's Catholic Church in Emery. The couple made their home in Seattle, Wash., where he was employed with Columbian Optical. They later moved to Grinnell, where he was employed for many years as an optician with Jensen Optometrists until his retirement.

He was a member of St. Mary’s Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus and the local Elks Lodge. He loved the outdoors, hunting and fishing. He particularly enjoyed fishing trips to Minnesota and Canada. He had a passion for music and loved to play the violin; he was first violin for the Grinnell College Symphony Orchestra. He was also an avid baseball fan and followed the St. Louis Cardinals.

He is survived by his wife; a son, James Schulte of Kentucky Lake, Ken.; a sister, Floreine Duxbury of Salem, S.D.; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; three sisters, Evelyn Schulte, Hilda Aronson and Alma McNaboe; and three brothers, Francis, August and Ralph Schulte.

Memorial contributions may be directed to St. Mary’s Catholic Church or to Grinnell Regional Hospice.