Robert D. Oswalt, 80, of Sully passed away May 12, 2007. Funeral services were held May 15, at the First Reformed Church in Sully.

Memorials can be given to the Sully Fire Department. Interment was held at the Sully Cemetery.

Robert “Ozzy” Duane Oswalt, son of Lowell and Florence (Schnug) Oswalt, was born June 22, 1926, in Elkhart. He passed away May 12, 2007 at the Sunny View Care Center in Ankeny at the age of 80 years.

Robert graduated from Newton High School and served his country with the United States Army as a Sergeant in occupied Korea.

On May 6, 1949 he was united in marriage with Berneda Vonk in Sully. To this union two children were born: Steve and Linda.

Ozzy was employed as a Butter Maker and Plant Manager at the Sully Cooperative Creamery, later known as Mid-America Dairymen, Inc., for more than 40 years, retiring in 1990. He was very active in the community, serving on the Sully City Council for 17 years and as the Mayor of Sully for two terms. He was a member of the Galesburg Masons, Sully Lions Club, Shriner’s Kaaba Temple, VFW Newton 1655, and the Sully Volunteer Fire Department. He was an avid outdoorsmen and conservationist. He enjoyed playing cards, fishing, hunting, and guns. He was an expert on wild mushrooms and loved mushroom hunting. Ozzy enjoyed making wine and giving it as gifts to friends and family. He grew hybrid Tea Roses and loved gardening. He had a great sense of humor and enjoyed playing jokes on friends. His grandchildren held a special place in his heart and added joy to his later years.

Robert is survived by his wife, Berneda, who currently lives in Sully; his two children: Steve and Vicki Oswalt of Ankeny, and Linda and Barry Beyer of Sully; four grandchildren: Ryan Oswalt and his special friend Rebecca Merrill, Ashley and Chris Vander Pool, Nick Beyer, and Kelsey Beyer; and one great-grandchild: Clayton Vander Pool.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Stanley Oswalt; and his step-father, Jess Butin.

Ozzy was a leader, son, father, grandfather, and friend. He was larger than life. He will be missed.