

Lyle R. Wiley



Lyle R. "Buck" Wiley 86, of Grinnell died of cancer at his home on Monday, May 28, 2007.

A graveside service and burial was held Thurs-

day, May 31, at Hazelwood Cemetery with John Epperson, pastor of Grinnell Christian Church, officiating. Honorary bearers were Lisa and Clayton Tiedemann, Eric Ahrens and Kathleen and John Manly. Memorials may be made to Grinnell Regional Hospice.

The son of Dellmer and Ethel Schultz Wiley, he was born July 31, 1920, on a farm near Malcom. During his childhood he was raised in several Iowa communities prior to moving to Grinnell where he attended Grinnell High School. He was a veteran of the United States Army during World War II, serving with the 147th Field Artillery Battalion in the Pacific Theater. Following his discharge, he returned to Grinnell.

On Nov. 20, 1946, he was married to Colleen Adkins in Newton. The couple farmed north of Grinnell, later moving to their current farm, also north of Grinnell, in 1954, a farm which will be celebrated as a Century Farm in 2008. For many years he also drove a straight truck while hauling seed corn for DeKalb to several dealers in Iowa. He retired from farming in 1987 but continued to live on the farmstead.

He was a member of Grinnell Christian Church; a charter member and past president of Grinnell Eagles Lodge; a 62-year member of the Grinnell American Legion, and a 50-year member of the Grinnell Elks Lodge.

He is survived by his wife Colleen of Grinnell; three children, Candy Ahrens of Ankeny, Bill Wiley of Overland Park, Kan., and Cindy Manly of Grinnell; one sister, Hallie Ryan of Grinnell; four grandchildren and one great granddaughter. He was preceded in death by his parents.

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