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A celebration of life service will be held for Bruce Conover on Saturday, Jan. 19, at 10:30 a.m. at the Family Christian Center, north of Sully.
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Bruce Conover, 81 of Lynnville, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2007, at his home. Memorial services will be held Saturday, Jan. 19, 2008, at the Family Christian Center in Sully with Pastor Michael Hovda and Pastor Tom Pool officiating. His body has been donated to the University of Iowa. Memorials may be made to the Grinnell Hospice.

Friends may sign the online guest book or give condolences to the family at www.hardenfuneralhomes.com. Harden Funeral Home of New Sharon is in charge of arrangements.

Bruce Thomas Conover, son of Walton and Ethel Day Conover, was born May 29, 1926 in Oskaloosa. He was a 1944 graduate of Sully High School. Bruce attended William Penn University in Oskaloosa for one year. While attending William Penn University Bruce won his division in wrestling. Bruce also attended Northwestern Bible College in Minneapolis, Minnesota for three years.

On June 7, 1950 he was united in marriage to Norma Jean Schmidt at Bruce's childhood home near Sully. Bruce farmed for 35 plus years before working construction with Schmidt Lumber. He also was a postal carrier for eight years. Above all Bruce loved to make dolls with his wife. He was a member of the Sully Lions Club and Co-Owner of Dollyville. Bruce enjoyed gardening, bird watching, fishing; attending all of the activities his children and grandchildren participated in, traveling, watching Zola Levitt Television Ministries, T.V. sports and The Weather Channel. Through their daughters position as a flight attendant, Bruce had traveled frequently with trips including Europe, Hawaii, Japan and his favorite Alaska.

His memory is honored by a wife of 57 years, Norma Conover of Lynnville; a son, David Conover of New Sharon; three daughters, Deborah Conover of Newton, Ruth (Marlo) Jansen of Sully and Laurie Conover of Chicago; a brother Charles Conover; a sister Louise Augustine; seven grandchildren, Ben (Tara) Conover, Angela (Patrick) Patterson, Caleigh Conover, Zachary Conover, Holly (Brandon) Lester, Luke Jansen and Noelle Jansen and five great grandchildren. McKinley Conover, Denali Conover, Alexy Belle Conover, Nate Patterson, and Jordan Jansen.

Bruce was preceded in death by his parents and two sons, Thomas Daniel Conover and Paul Thomas Conover.