Ed Heng

Ed Heng, 89, of Marshalltown died Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2008, at his home, while in the care of his family and the Iowa River Hospice. Funeral services for Ed Heng will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 18, at the Elim Lutheran Church in Marshalltown with Pastor Karen Clunts officiating. He will be laid to rest in the Strand Lutheran Cemetery in Dunbar.

Friends may call at the Mitchell Family Funeral Home in Marshalltown today (Thursday) till 7 p.m.

Born Oct. 8, 1918, he was the oldest of three children of Albert and Bertha Driftland Heng. He was raised in the Gilman and Dunbar area and graduated from Gilman High School with the class of 1937.

On May 25, 1941, he married Doris Olson at the Strand Lutheran Church at Dunbar. The couple farmed in the area and on the family farm for 33 years, until he retired.

He was a baptized and confirmed member of the Strand Lutheran Church—a congregation which his family had chartered and served on the church council. He later became a member of the Elim Lutheran Church in Marshalltown, and was a member of the former Dunbar Square Dance Club. He enjoyed fishing, wood-working, farming, the outdoors, traveling south for the winter and attending auctions. He treasured his family.

He is survived by his wife; four children, Charene Hulin of Marshalltown, David Heng of Marshalltown, Jim Heng of Grinnell and Juli Buck of State Center; 19 grandchildren; 44 great-grandchildren; his sisters, Doris Thompson of Marshalltown and Ruth Kunkel of LeGrand; and nieces, nephews and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; a son-in-law, Steve Baer; and a brother-in-law, Harry Thompson.

Condolences may be left for the family at the web site www.mitchellfh.com.

A memorial fund is being established.