William John Lyle

William "Bill" John Lyle, 79, of Marshalltown, died Saturday, May 3, 2008, at Marshalltown Medical and Surgical Center in care of Iowa River Hospice.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, May 6, at Laurel United Methodist Church with burial in Graceland Cemetery.

He was born Sept. 17, 1928, in rural Kellogg, the son of James and Rachel Bates Lyle. He graduated from Laurel High School in 1947 after which he assisted his father with farming. He was united in marriage with Alice Muller in 1948. He farmed the family farm northwest of Laurel until his retirement in 1991. He continued to help with the planting and harvesting until his health failed in 2006.

He enjoyed attending auctions, flea markets and garage sales.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Alice; his daughter Gail Ann Nichols of Palmyra, Mo., two sons, Dr. Kim Lyle of Iowa City and Mark Alan Lyle of rural Haverhill, four grandchildren and one brother, James Lyle of rural Haverhill. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, David.

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