

Lyle L. Danker Dies Of Gunshot Wound

Lyle L. Danker, Jefferson township farmer, 35, died January 20 in St. Luke's hospital at Cedar Rapids as a result of a gun-shot wound received at his farm that same morning. Authorities have made no ruling on how the shooting occurred.

Funeral services were held last Friday afternoon at Hrabak's Funeral Home in Belle Plaine. The Rev. Alvin Boettcher, pastor of First Congregational church in Belle Plaine officiated. Mrs. Laura Kornis was soloist and Mrs. Marie Christman was organist. Burial was in Oak Hill cemetery at Belle Plaine with Russell Hultman, Aldon Murphy, Marvin Benesh, Marvin Cecak, C.W. Carson and Merle Leimberer serving as pallbearers.

The son of Rudolph and Eva Danker, he was born in Jefferson township, Poweshiek county, on June 3, 1930. He was one of seven children.

In January, 1952, Danker enlisted in the marine corps in which he served two years. On May 20, 1955, he was married to Donna Jean Markham of Belle Plaine at the Little Brown Church at Nashua. They farmed with his father until a year ago when they moved to a farm of their own seven miles northwest of Hartwick.

He was a member of the Belle Plaine American Legion, the N.F.O. and was active in organizing the Farmers 4-County Coop. at Belle Plaine.

In addition to his wife, Donna Jean, he is survived by seven children. They are Linda 9, Tommy 8, David 6, John 5,