

Set Heishman rites for today

Elza F. Heishman, 79, a retired farmer and cattle buyer of the Sheridan community, died in Tama at 10:30 p.m. Monday, where he had been a patient since early April. He had been in declining health since a stroke last August.

Funeral services will be held for Elza Heishman at 1:30 p.m. today (Thursday), at the Sheridan United Methodist Church. The Rev. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in the Sheridan Cemetery.

On March 17, 1899, in the Sheridan community, he was the son of Phillip and Catherine M. Heishman. He received his education and grew to maturity there.

He married Marjorie, daughter of Sheridan in Mason on Jan. 4, 1926. He farmed in Sheridan until retiring into Tama in October of 1976.

His second marriage was to Marguerite Mitchum of Tama. On Sept. 28, 1964, he married Marie R. Ferneau of Toledo. The couple lived south of Tama until their move into town in 1976.

Preceding him in death were a son, Allen; his parents; six brothers, Andrew, Elmer, William, John, Augustus, and Earnest; and four sisters, Alice, Ida, Sally, and Betty.

Surviving him are his wife; two sons, William of Toledo and Steven of Tama; five grandchildren; two brothers, Clifford and Lester, both of Sheridan; and five stepchildren, Mrs. Orlie (Colleen) Davis of Maquoketa, Conrad Ferneau of Valejo, Calif., Thomas Ferneau of Norfolk, Va.; Richard H. Ferneau of Fairfield, Calif. and Dennis Ferneau of Tama.

The family has requested that a memorial fund be established.