

Thursday, June 11, 1970

Brook Lavender Rites Conducted

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. today (June 11) at the Gilman Community Church for Brook Lavender, 63, of Gilman, who died Sunday evening, June 7, at Grinnell General Hospital.

The Rev. Russell Rasmussen, pastor of the church, officiated. Organist was Larry Koepnick. Vocalist was Ronald Rainey.

Serving on the flower committee were Mrs. Bruce Doane and Mrs. Nellie Dixon.

Pallbearers were Roy Koger, Carl Kvinlaugh, Elgin McGrew, Wayne Elliott, Herbert Van Wyke and Bruce Doane. Honorary pallbearers were T. S. Weaver, Will Allen, Elmer Moore, Floyd Strover and Carmel Davis.

Burial was in Prairie View Cemetery at Gilman with the James-Schalinske Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

The son of Leslie and Mary Milam Lavender, Mr. Lavender was born May 11, 1907, in Poweshiek County near the Chester community. He received his education and lived the remainder of his life in Gilman. For many years he was employed by the Swift Company in Grinnell and then was a petroleum salesman for the Farmers Co-op in Gilman.

On Feb. 5, 1929, he married Thelma McDonnell at Grand Forks, N. Dak. To this union eight children were born—Gordon Lavender and Mrs. Gene (Donna) Harris of Marshalltown; Kenneth Lavender of Waterloo; Mrs. Gene (Norma) Elliott, Mrs. Bill (Ruth) Ashing and Mrs. Tom (Mary) Grudgings of Gilman; Mrs. Robert (Bonnie) Haradon of Princeton, Texas, and Larry Lavender of Marion.

Survivors include his wife; eight children; 21 grandchildren; a brother, Merle Lavender of Los Angeles, Calif., and a sister, Icia Ellen Tryba of Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. Lavender was preceded in death by his parents.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Gilman Community Church or to the Heart Fund.