James W. Lemke

James W. Lemke, 77 of Grinnell
died Sunday, June 13, 2004, at Veterans Medical Center in Iowa City.

A graveside service was held Thursday, June 17, at Pleasant Township Cemetery, rural Ewart, with John Epperson, pastor of Grinnell Christian Church, officiating.

He was born May 19, 1927, in Grinnell, the son of Herman and Edith McMeekin Lemke. He was raised near Montrezuma and attended rural school after which he was engaged in farming. He served with the United States Army from January, 1946, to March, 1947. He was married on Sept. 28, 1957, to Louise Hofstatter in Iowa City. They lived in Grinnell and he worked as a truck driver for the United States Postal Service and for the Manatt Corporation of Brooklyn. Prior to his retirement, he owned and operated the Courtesy Cab Company in Grinnell.

He is survived by one son, Steven W. Lemke of Nashville, Tenn.; three daughters, Susan Slings of Newton and Tammy Lemke and Christy Lemke, both of Grinnell; eight grandchildren; three great grandchildren; two sisters, Dorothy Haines and Hazel Darnell, both of Grinnell; and six brothers, Donald Lemke, Leonard Lemke, Walter Lemke and Ralph Lemke, all of Grinnell, Marvin Lemke of Rolla, Mo., and Calvin Lemke of Winchester, Va. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Earl Lemke.

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No public visitation is scheduled.

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