Vernon Weaver

Vernon Dewey Weaver, 78, of Davenport, formerly of Newburg, died Thursday, Sept. 16, 2004, at Genesis Medical Center in Davenport.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, Sept. 21, at Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Jeff Maskevich, pastor of the Newburg-Chester Congregational Church, officiating. Casket bearers were Cindy Erickson, Donna Fleischer, Edward Humphrey, Richard Humphrey, Tom Logsdon and Marsha Patterson. Burial was in Prairie View Cemetery in Gilman. Memorial contributions may be made to Newburg-Chester Congregational Church.

He was born Aug. 6, 1926, the son of Harold and Alma Anderson Weaver, on the family farm near Gilman. He was raised and educated in the Gilman and Newburg areas, and was a 1943 graduate of Newburg High School. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1944 during World War II, serving in the 124th Infantry during which he earned the Philippine Liberation Ribbon and Bronze Star Victory Medal. He was honorably discharged Nov. 28, 1946, at Fort Sheridan, Ill.

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He attended Drake University in Des Moines where he earned his bachelor's degree in accounting. He became an auditor with the Internal Revenue Service for which he was employed much of his life. He enjoyed playing checkers and chess, including competing at the Iowa State Fair, was an avid reader and an Iowa Hawkeye fan.

He is survived by three sisters, Joyce Humphrey of Kellogg, Doris Logsdon of Sioux City and Darlene Clark of Grand Island, Neb., several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother Derald.