## Ronald Sheetz, 74 MR



Ronald Sheetz 74, of Montezu ma, died Friday, Oct. 10, 2008, at the Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines.

His funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 15, at the Mont-

ezuma United Methodist Church. Visitation will begin after 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, with the family present from 65 to 8 p.m. at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma. Interment will be in Elm Grove Cemetery in Washington, Iowa. Holland-Coble Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Ronald Sheetz, son of Merle and Catherine (Kephart) Sheetz was born July 23, 1934, in Washington. He was a 1952 graduate of Washington High School. In 1958 he graduated from Iowa State University with a Bachelon Degree in Agriculture.

He was united in marriage to Phyllis Prange on April 19, 1958, in Arlington, Va. To this union three children we're born, Christine, Mary and Dean. After he graduated from Iowa State University, Ron worked for the Iowa State University Extension until 1967 when he started teaching at Montezuma High School in the Vocational Agriculture and Horticulture Department. Ron retired from teaching in 1984 and went to work for Cedar Valley Farm Business Association as a tax consultant until fully retiring. Ron enjoyed gardening, reading and above all, spending time with his grandchildren and great-grand-daughters. He was a member of the United Methodist Church, the United Methodist Men, and the Montezuma Lions Club.

His memory is honored by his wife of 50 years, Phyllis of Montezuma; two daughters, Christine Sheetz of Des Moines and Mary (David) Ellis of Frostproof, Fla.; his son, Dean (Natasha) Sheetz of Dubai, UAE; seven grandchildren: Jessica (Charlie Kepner) Wheeler, David, Matthew, Joshua (Danielle), Benjamin, Sarah and Aaron Ellis; two great-granddaughters: Mirabelle Kepner and Naomi Ellis; his sister, Patricia Bagley of Iowa City, and his mother-inlaw, Claire Prange.

Ronald was preceded in death by his parents, Merle and Catherine Sheetz.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the United Methodist Church or the Montezuma Lions Club. Friends may give condolences or sign the online guest book at hollandcoblefuneralhome. com.