Samuel Thomas Belland, 76

Samuel Thomas Belland, 76, of Crystal River, Fla. died on Friday, Jan. 12, 2007 in Spring Hill, Fla.

Funeral services were held at Faith Lutheran Church, Lecanto, Fla. on Jan. 16. Reverend Schielke conducted the service.

Sam was born Dec. 4, 1930 to Robert and Vera Belland in Grinnell. He graduated in 1948 from Brooklyn High School. He was an Army veteran who served in the Korean Conflict from 1949-1952. On April 15, 1955 he was united in marriage to Grace Irene von Aswege of Victor. The couple moved to Williamsburg and had three children. Sam was in the construction business for 30 years. They wintered in the Crystal River, Fla. area since 1981. He was a charter member of Faith Lutheran Church, Lecanto, Fla.

Among other things, he enjoyed spending time with family and friends, fishing, boating, and watching the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

Survivors include his wife, Grace, of 51+ years; three children, Tamara Belland of Lynnwood, Wash., Tom Belland of Williamsburg, and Cindy Anderson (Jim) of Eden Prairie, Minn.; and five grandchildren, Kelsey Belland, Blair Belland, Kiley Belland, Lexi Belland, and Quinn Anderson. He will be deeply missed by his family and friends.

Memorials in Sam's memory may be directed to Faith Lutheran Church, 935 S. Crystal Glen Drive, Lecanto, FL 34461 or The American Lung Association.