Harold D. Fontinel

Harold D. Fontinel, 69, of Tama, died Thursday, Jan. 11, 2006, at Hospice Comfort House in Pella.

A memorial service was held Monday, Jan. 15, at Living Faith United Methodist Church in Tama. Memorials may be made to Iowa River Hospice Marshalltown or Hospice of Pella. On-line condolences may be sent to his family at www.iowacremation.com.

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He was born Aug. 30, 1937, in Tama County, the son of Frank and Leda Ruttan Fontinel. He attended rural Poweshiek County schools and graduated from Grinnell High School with the class of 1954. Following graduation, he farmed with his father and did custom work. He joined the United States Army Reserve in 1957, later receiving an honorable discharge. He was united in marriage with Marilyn Hanus on Nov. 2, 1958. They purchased a farm south of Tama in 1966. He later joined his brother Robert in the construction business and more recently had worked for Kenneth Bidwell and the Meskwaki Casino. He was a member of the former Tama-Toledo Optimist Club and Living Faith United Methodist Church in Tama.

He is survived by his wife Marilyn of Tama; a daughter Ronda Burnes of Tama, a son Damon Fontinel of Pella, three grandchildren; four brothers, Robert Fontinel of Georgia, Dennis Fontinel of Toledo, Duane Fontinel of Arkansas and Kim Fontinel of Tama and two sisters, Marge Breya of Toledo and Marsha Wolf of Cedar Rapids. He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant sister Caroline.