Kenneth Vander Linden, 89, Pella -

Kenneth Vander Linden, 89, of Pella passed away March 20, 2006. Funeral services were held March 23, at the First Reformed Church in Pella. Interment was held at Oakwood Cemetery in Pella. Memorials can be given to the First Reformed Church of Pella.

Kenneth Herman Vander Linden was born on Dec. 11, 1916, near Pella. He was the first of two children born to Luke and Grace Bogaard Vander Linden, the second being his sister, Sara Rose. Kenneth graduated from grade school in Pella and then attended Pella High School. Kenneth's family were members of the First Reformed Church in Pella where he made profession of his faith and met his wife to be, Carolyn Marjorie Roorda, a daughter of Epp and Cornelia Vander Wilt Roorda. They were united in marriage on Jan. 19, 1940. Kenneth and Carolyn were blessed with two children: Bonnie and Leo.

Surviving is his wife of 66 years, Carolyn; a daughter and son-in-law and a daughter-in-law; five grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

They and their families are: Bonnie L. and Howard Westerkamp of Pella, Harris and Jacki (De Boef) Westerkamp of Bettendorf, Heath, Haley, Kelsey and Keaton Westerkamp, Bryce and Cherie (Van Dyke) Westerkamp of Pella, Brandon, Camren and Conner Westerkamp, Vance and Stephanie (Jansen) Westerkamp of Bettendorf, Karson, Shanda and Alexa Westerkamp; Deborah A. (Meyers) Vander Linden of Pella, Jeffrey Vander Linden of Pella, Angela Vander Linden of Pella, Courtney Paxton.

Of his original family Kenneth leaves his sister, Sara Rose Vander Beek, presently of Pella; and a brother-in-law, Henry C. Roorda and his wife, Esther of Pella. Kenneth was preceded in death by his son, Leo K. Vander Linden in 2000; his parents: his father, Luke H. Vander Linden who died in 1953 and his mother, Grace Vander Linden in 1982, and his brother-inlaw, Abe Vander Beek who passed away in 1981 at the age of 59 years.