B. Maynard Zimmerman, 75



B. Maynard Zimmerman, 75, of rural Deep River, died Tuesday morning, June 6, 2006 at his home.

His funeral service was Friday, June 9, at Watts Funeral Home, Montezuma,

with Pastor Boyd Sparks of the United Church, Deep River, officiating. Interment was at Sixteen Cemetery, Thornburg. Watts Funeral Home of Montezuma was in charge of the arrangements.

Casket bearers were Leigh Armstrong, Steven McCullough, Mark Seaton, Keith Fisch, Larry Kitzman and Richard Ranfeld.

Honorary casket bearers were Leland Winegarden, Richard Gieger, Arlo Tish and Art Merck.

Maynard was born Jan. 7, 1931 in Keokuk County, near Keswick, the son of Roy Henry and Letha Irene (Hornback) Zimmerman. He attended Greenview Country School, Thornburg School and graduated from Deep River High School in 1949. He was united in marriage with Barbara Armstrong on Nov. 8, 1952 at the Methodist Church in Thornburg. To this

union three children were born, Edward, David and Melinda. Maynard served in the U.S. Army from August 1953 to June 1955. They farmed southeast of Deep River and farming was a passion with Maynard. He was a Crow's Seed Corn dealer. Maynard had also been a 4-H leader and a director of the Deep River Mutual Telephone Company. He was an active member of the United Church of Deep River and enjoyed woodworking, fishing, camping and especially being with his grandchildren.

Maynard is survived by his wife of 53 years, Barbara, of Deep River; their children, Ed Zimmerman (and Joyce Daly) of Keswick; David (and Ellen) Zimmerman of Deep River and Melinda (and Herb) Barch of Bland, Mo.; four grandchildren, Amanda Zimmerman, Calli Zimmerman, Courtney (and Brian) Borwig and Cari Rieder; four great-grandchildren, April Hanchett, Chad Hanchett, Kennedy Rieder and Kaleb Rider; and other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, LaVerta in infancy and a greatgrandson, Kade Rieder.

A memorial fund has been established in his name.