

Dale Van Wyk, 81, Pella

Dale Edwin Van Wyk, age 81 of Pella, died Friday, Aug. 3, 2007 at Pella Hospice Comfort House. Funeral services for Mr. Van Wyk were held on Tuesday, Aug. 7, 2007 at First Baptist Church of Monroe with burial at Silent City Cemetery. Memorials may be given to Pella Hospice Comfort House or First Baptist Church of Monroe.

Dale E. Van Wyk, son of Tenis and Grace (Eysink) Van Wyk, was born on April 8, 1926 west of Monroe at the "home place," and departed this life Friday, Aug. 3, 2007 at the age of 81 years, at the Comfort House in Pella where he had been for three days. Dale attended Union Valley School until the age of fourteen. He stayed home and worked on the family farm until 1948 when he married Edna Goemaat, mother of his four children. They farmed by Leighton for four years before moving to the "home place" west of Monroe. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Monroe, where he served as a Trustee and Sunday School

Teacher for many years. Dale and brother Wayne were partners in the livestock business for 25 years. In the 1970's he bought, sold, and fed cattle throughout the country. Later in life, Dale resided in Nebraska, Colorado, and Arizona. In the past year, Dale lived at Vriendschap Village in Pella. Dale continued to have his passion for cattle and the markets up until his final days.

Those left to honor his memory are his children Linda Roorda and her husband Keith of Monroe; Lloyd Van Wyk and his wife Shelene of Springfield, MO; and Larry Van Wyk and his wife Cindy of Monroe. Those also left to honor his memory are his grandchildren: Amy (Brian), Alex (Darci), Eric (Kris), Angie (Tom), Jessica (Lee), Brandon, Amber, and Ashley, step-grandchildren: Jeremy and Jennifer, eight great-grandchildren, three step-great-grandchildren, and many cousins, nieces and nephews. Dale was preceded in death by his parents, son Lee Eugene, and siblings Willis, Marie, Wayne, and Paul.

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