

Melvin Verwers

Melvin Verwers, 91, of Grinnell, formerly of Newton, died Sunday, April 29, 2007, at St. Francis Manor.

A service was held Thursday, May 3, at Wallace Family Funeral Home in Newton with Carrie LaPlante, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Newton Union Cemetery. Memorials in his name may be left at the funeral home.

He was born Feb. 27, 1916, in Kellogg, the son of Jake and Dena Rozenberg Verwers. He was a life-long farmer. He lived in Grinnell for 37 years, moved to Newton for 19 years, then returned to Grinnell for 14 years. He was married on Dec. 15, 1936, in Newton to Ethelyne Appledorn. They were the parents of one son. He retired from farming in 1986.

He was a member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Newton and Jasper County Senior Citizens.

He is survived by his son Jerry Verwers of Muscatine; three grandchildren; four great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife; five brothers, three sisters and one great grandson.

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