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Arkema killed in

farm accident

Doyle Verdell Arkema, 23. of rural Kellogg died late Monday after an accident at his farm southwest of Grinnell. Jasper County deputy sheriff Dick Dunsbergen was called to the farm around 6:30 p.m.

Upon Dunsbergen's arrival. he found Arkema in the barn. Dunsbergen said that it appeared as if Arkema had been crushed between a loader bucket and a wooden fence. Dr. M.R. Moles, acting coroner. said that death had apparently been instantaneous.

In his report to the sheriff's office, Dunsbergen said that Arkema had been running a small front-end loader in the barn and had stopped the machine and left it with the engine running, bumping the bucket lever which made the bucket swing down on him.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. today (Thursday) at the Sully Christian Reformed Church. The Rev. Fred Howton, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in the Sully Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Christian Opportunity Center in Pella.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Van Dyk-Duven Funeral Home in Pella. Arkema is survived by his wife, LaVonne; a son, Jeremy Todd; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dorman Arkema of Lynnville; two brothers, Duane and Michael Arkema, both of Lynnville; a sister, Mrs. Carroll (Marla) Fopma of Sully; and three grandparents, Mrs. Oney Arkema of Sully.

Walter Newendorp of Leighton and Garrit Jansen of Lynnville.