Elmer Bates

Elmer Bates, 80, of Newton, formerly of rural Kellogg, died of a heart attack Thursday, June 4, at Iowa Lutheran Hospital in Des Moines.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at the First United Methodist Church in Newton, with the Rev. Jerry Brown officiating. Burial was in Graceland Cemetery, Laurel, with the Reese Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

He was the son of William and Sarah Beggs Bates and was born July 20, 1917, southwest of Laurel.

He was a 1935 graduate of Kellogg High School and attended Central College in Pella. He farmed with his father and brother north of Kellogg.

He was married to Margaret Patricia Burrows April 17, 1983, in Edmonds, Wash.

Mr. Bates had lived in the Kellogg area since 1921, moved to Edmonds in 1982 and to Newton in 1990.

His wife survives.