Robert Burns, sr.

Funeral services for Roberts Burns, sr., 87, of Route 2, Montezuma, were held Saturday, in the United Presbyterian Church in Brooklyn. Mr. Burns died Wednesday morning, April 18, 1979, in Grinnell General Hospital.

Rev. Paul Mallory officiated and the organist was Mrs. Ed Bartachek. In care of flowers were Mrs. Mary Meissner and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Clayton. Casket bearers were Keith Berckhan, Gene Morgan, Tom VanErsvelde, Virgil Heishman, Henry Maschmann, jr., and Robert Wagner. Interment was in the IOOF Cemetery, Brooklyn, with the Nevenhoven Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Robert Russell Burns, sr., was born on May 14, 1891, in Lexington, Nebr., the son of Samuel and Katherine Yoder Burns. He received his education in rural schools in Nebraska.

He was united in marriage to Pearl Case on March 14, 1923, in Lexington, Nebr. They moved to the Brooklyn-Montezuma area in 1936 from Hamilton County, Iowa. Mr. Burns engaged in farming until his retirement.

He was a member of the United Presbyterian Church of Brooklyn.

He is survived by his wife, Pearl; five sons, Norman of Brooklyn, Robert, jr., of Rudd, Eldon of Brooklyn, Stuart of Des Moines and Gerald of Dillsburg, Pa.; two daughters, Mrs. Dale (Blanche) Grothman of Concord, Calif., and Beverly of Eldridge, Ia.; one sister, Mrs. Ruth Hoobler of Reseda, Calif.; and 20 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, four sisters and one brother.