KENNETH E. GORSCH

Kenneth E. Gorsch, 59, of rural Marengo died Thursday, March 17, 1988, at his home following a lingering illness.

The son of William and Pearl Cooprider Gorsch, he was born Nov. 27, 1928, west of Marengo in Marengo Township. He attended school at Honey Creek Township Rural School and Marengo Schools.

On November 28, 1959, he was married to Marian Bral in Marengo. They farmed the family farm west of Marengo where Kenneth farmed all of his life. He also was employed part time at the Marengo Sale Barn, the Marengo Lumber Company, and Emerson Bricker Lumber Salvage.

He served in the United States Army, was a Veteran of the Korean War, and a member of American Legion Post 76,

Marengo.

He is survived by his wife, Marian; one son:Jeffrey Gorsch of Marengo; three daughters: Julie Wagner and Mrs. Doug (Janet) Emerson of Marengo; and JoAnn Gorsch and Jeffrey Berry of Holland, Ky.; one brother, Carroll Gorsch of Marengo; and three grandchildren.

Funeral Services were held at 10:30 a.m., Monday, at the McAninch-Fremming Funeral Home with Pastor Louis Cronbaugh of the Church of God, Gladbrook, Ia., officiating. Organist was Jane Alexander of Victor. The Pall Bearers were Bary Bral, David Bral, and Phillip Bral, Marengo, Randy Bral, Oxford, Richard Bral, Marengo, Carroll "Skip" Gorsch, Iowa City, Denny Gorsch, Marengo, and Terry Gorsch of Dallas Center.

Burial was in the Marengo Cemetery.

A memorial fund has been established to the American Cancer Society.

Military rites were conducted by American Legion Post #76 of Marengo, Taps played by Vincent Kimm.

The McAninch-Fremming Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.