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## Joe Harthoorn

Joe Harthoorn, 84 of Sully died Saturday, Dec. 2, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services were conducted Dec. 6 at the First Reformed Church of Sully, with the Rev. Roger Punt officiating. Organist was Carol Ver Ploeg, and casket bearers were Craig Baarda, Rick Baarda, Troy Brand, Calvin Nikkel, Dennis Renaud and Jerry Van Der Pol. Honorary pallbearer was Loren Vos.

Burial was in Saum Cemetery, Jasper County.

The son of Johannes and Nellie Vander Weerd Harthoorn Sr., he was born July 24, 1916, north of Kellogg. He attended Buena Vista No. 1 Country Grade School near Kellogg. Following his eighth-grade education, he continued to live on the farm with his parents before purchasing his own farm near Monroe in 1939.

On June 30, 1939, he was married to Henricetta Van Der Pol. They continued to farm near Monroe until 1947 when they purchased a farm south of Kellogg.

In 1956, they moved to Sully where Mr. Harthoorn worked as a grocer. He also was the custodian at Lynnville-Sully High School and did maintenance work for the city of Sully. He then served as Sully town marshal for 18 years.

Mrs. Harthoorn died in 1981. In 1982, Mr. Harthoorn married Iva Arkema, and they lived in Sully until he became a resident at Friendship Manor in Grinnell in 1999.

He was a member of the First Reformed Church and served as an elder. He was also a member of the Men's Brotherhood and served with

the Prison Ministries, and he was a member of the Sully Lions Club.

Surviving are his wife; three sons, Bryce of Bettendorf, Donovan of Sarasota, Fla., and Kurt of Sully; five stepsons, Carl Arkema of North Muskegon, Mich., Ervin Arkema of Sully, Milo Arkema of Edina, Minn., Verlan Arkema of Pella and Wesley Arkema of Newton; six grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; 17 step-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren; and one sister, Francis Baarda of Newton.

He was preceded in death by his first wife; their infant daughter, Geleene; and his parents.

Memorial contributions may be made to "Words of Hope," a Christian radio ministry.