Fred W. Hartkemeyer

Frederick W. Hartkemeyer, 72, of Rte. 2, Brooklyn, died at his home Saturday, July 31.

Funeral services are set for 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the First Lutheran Church in Belle Plaine, with the Rev. Michael Maddick officiating. Organist will be Joleen Blanchard, and pallbearers will be Don Bauman, Arlen Faas, Charles Johnson, Paul Christinson, William Gile, Darrel Johnson and Larry Thompson.

Military rites will be conducted by members of the Brooklyn American Legion post, with burial in St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery, Luzerne.

The son of Frederick and Eva Schroer Hartkemeyer, he was born Dec. 1, 1920, in Belle Plaine. He attended rural school. He entered the U.S. Army in 1942 and fought in the European Theater during World War II. He was a gunner for anti-aircraft artillery divisions. He was awarded the Purple Heart and other medals.

Following his discharge in 1945, he returned to the Brooklyn area and worked for area farmers. He later purchased his own farm north of Brooklyn.

Mr. Hartkemeyer was a lifetime member of the First Lutheran Church in Belle Plaine and was also a longtime member of the American Legion.

He is survived by one brother, Albert, and two sisters, Eva Johnson of Marengo and Matilda Bauman of Grinnell. He was preceded in death by his parents.

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