

Raymond J. Hawkins

Raymond J. Hawkins, 58, of Rte. 1, Brooklyn, was killed Tuesday, Dec. 12, when the bulldozer he was operating fell into a pit at the Poweshiek County Landfill east of Grinnell.

Funeral services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Friday at the Calvary Lutheran Church at Deep River, with the Rev. Kenneth Wagoner officiating. Burial will be in Harmony Cemetery southwest of Victor.

The son of Joe and Blanche Wendel Hawkins, he was born Aug. 16, 1931, at Marengo. He attended Marengo schools.

He was married to LaVonne Buswell Feb. 6, 1954, in Montezuma. The couple lived in Ladora and Camforth before moving to a farm home southeast of Brooklyn. Mr. Hawkins had worked for the Rock Island Railroad for 22 years and had been employed by the county as a heavy-equipment operator since 1978. He was a member of the Calvary Lutheran Church.

Surviving are his wife, LaVonne; one son, Paul of Deep River; two daughters, Vicky Crane of Montezuma and Joni Walters of Guernsey; eight grandchildren; two brothers, Richard of Santa Maria, Calif., and Clarence of Vinton; and four sisters, Beatrice DeLung and Betty Kopf, both of Cedar Rapids, Helen Brown of Marengo and Frances Maschmann of Deep River.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Florence Tinkle.

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