

## Larry Keese

Larry Keese, 58, a longtime Laurel and Gilman area farmer, died Saturday, Oct. 8, on Underwood Ave. near Marshalltown as the result of a farm accident.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at the Laurel United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Niel Montz officiating. Burial was in Graceland Cemetery, Laurel, with the Estel-Perrin-Avey Funeral Home of Marshalltown in charge of arrangements.

He was the son of H. Arthur and Gayle I Speas Keese, he was born July 7, 1936, in Marshalltown. He received his education in the Ferguson schools, graduating from high school there in 1954.

He was married to Beth Sietmann June 25, 1960, in Laurel. They continued to farm.

Mr. Keese was a member of the Laurel United Methodist Church, president of the Methodist Men, a charter member of the Laurel Lions Club, and a member of the Marshall County Pork Producers, the Marshall County Cattlemen's Association and the Marshalltown Men's Chorus. He was a former director of Farm Bureau, 4-H leader, local cooperative board, the Marshall County Extension Council, and Laurel United Methodist Church Sunday school teacher and superintendent.

Surviving are his wife, Beth; two daughters, Jana Lyle of rural Haverhill and July Keese of Ft. Dodge; a son, Kent of rural Gilman; two granddaughters; two sisters, Shirley Settle of rural Marshalltown and Lois Cory of rural Laurel; and his mother, Gayle Keese of the Embers in Marshalltown.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Memorial contributions in Mr. Keese's name may be directed to the Laurel United Methodist Church Building Fund.

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