

Delbert Rutherford

Delbert Rutherford, 79, of Newton, formerly of the Newburg and Grinnell areas, died of a heart ailment Thursday, July 166, at Skiff Medical Center in Newton.

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Funeral services were conducted Saturday at the Wallace-Pence Funeral Home in Newton, with the Rev. Dwayne Hanke of the Community Reformed Church officiating. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery.

The son of George and Nona Rasp Rutherford, he was born Nov. 4, 1912, in Newburg. He was a graduate of Newburg High School.

He was married to Arlene G. Bell May 19, 1935, in Gilman. Mr. Rutherford farmed in the Newburg area and worked in a shoe factory here. Following his service during World War II, he owned and operated a shoe repair shop in Grinnell. He also drove maintenance equipment for Poweshiek County. In Newton, he was employed by the Maytag Company for more than 27 years, retiring in 1975. He later served as a tour host for Maytag and assembled motorcycles at the Cycle Center in Newton.

He was a member of Newton V.F.W. Post 1655 and the Maytag Management Club.

Surviving are his wife; one son, Steve of Newton; one daughter, Linda Van Maaren of Newton; eight grandchildren; one brother, Harry of Grinnell; and two sisters, Nadine Courtney of Grinnell and Bernice Cox of Swan.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Charles, Lester and Verle; and two sisters, Tillie Watkins and Stella Birchard.

Memorials in Mr. Rutherford's name may be made to Hospice of Jasper County or V.F.W. Post 1655 of Newton.

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