Abel F. Doty, 78

Abel F. Doty, 78, of Ely, a former resident of Brooklyn, died Tuesday, October 26, 2004, at the Mechanicsville Nursing & Rehab Center, Mechanicsville.

Services for Abel Doty were held Friday at the Grace United Methodist Church, Brooklyn, with the Rev. David Rogula officiating. Interment was in Brooklyn Memorial Cemetery.

Casket bearers were Shawn Roberts, Scott Roberts, Jason Roberts, Bill Milder, Max Montgomery and Lee Connell.

Nevenhoven Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.

Abel Francis Doty, son of Glenn Ross and Cora Mae Dayton Doty, was born December 12, 1925, on a farm north of Brooklyn. He was a 1943 graduate of Brooklyn High School. Abel farmed near Chelsea and Brooklyn and then did mechanical work on tractors. He then owned and operated Doty Electric in Brooklyn until 1983 when he moved to Cedar Rapids where he was a welder.

He married Lois Miller on November 14, 1948, at the Hartwick Church, Hartwick. They were the parents of four daughters, Sandra, Donna, Rebecca and Patricia. They later divorced. In recent years, Abel lived in Ely with his friend and companion, Evelyn Yaus.

Abel was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church and the former IOOF Lodge of Brooklyn.

His parents, his stepmother, Pearl Doty, two sisters and a half-brother preceded him in death.

Surviving are his companion, Evelyn Yaus of Ely; four daughters, Sandy (Terry) Roberts of Brooklyn, Donna (Alan) Muntz of Grinnell, Becky (Louie) Higdon of Ft. Mohave, Arizona, and Patti (Clif) Martin of Virginia; four half-brothers, Ross Doty of Brooklyn, Daryl Doty of Cedar Rapids, Marvin Doty of Grinnell, and Dale Doty of Brooklyn; five half-sisters, Vivian King of Grinnell, Gladys Palmer of Cedar Rapids, Joan Foster of Cedar Rapids, Lucille King of Warr Acres, Oklahoma, and Kay Dieterich of Brooklyn; 11 grandchildren, Shawn, Scott and Jason Roberts, Amber Muntz, Heidi, Becky Lynn and Bob Higdon, Amber and Olivia Martin, Robin Kavorik, and Tammy Jordon; 13 great-grandchildren, Matthew Innis, Dalton, Cody, Levi, Emily and Lane Roberts, Skyler and Morgan Kavorik, Kyle, and Jeremy Jordon, Haley and Heather Higdon, and Scott Barker; and Evelyn's children, Michael Yaus of Cedar Rapids and Michelle Yaus of Ely.