Harold VerSteegt, 68

Harold VerSteegt, 68, of Montezuma, died Wednesday, Dec. 9, 1998 at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines.

His funeral was Monday, Dec. 14 at Watts Funeral Home in Montezuma. Officiating was Rev. George M. Salnave of the First Presbyterian Church of Montezuma.

Rhonda Minner, soloist, and Kathleen Ramsey, organist, performed "Amazing Grace," "In the Garden" and "He Grew the Tree.

Casket bearers were Vincent VerSteegt, Rod Zuidema, Troy Meldrem, Vaughn Ver Steegt, Steve Zuidema and Danny Davis.

Interment was in Jackson Township
Cemetery in Montezuma

Mr. VerSteegt was born July 3, 1930 in Pella, the son of Gerrit and Maggie (VanGenderen) VerSteegt. On May 21, 1949, he married Erma Meldrem in Montezuma. The couple had two sons and a daughter.

They lived all of their married lives in the Montezuma area.

Owner of VerSteegt Construction, Mr. VerSteegt operated a bulldozer for many years. The family attended the First Presbyterian Church in Montezuma. Mr. VerSteegt also had been a member of the Grange.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a great-grandson, Tyler Porter; five brothers, Clarence, Floyd, Earl, a twin brother. Garold. and Melvin; and three sisters, Mabel, Gladys, who died in infancy; and Pauline Van Wyk.

Mr. VerSteegt is survived by his wife, Erma of Montezuma and their family, Ron and Janet VerSteegt of Longwood, Fla., Mark and Lynn VerSteegt of Penrose, Colo., and Patty VerSteegt of Montezuma; five grandchildren, Mac VerSteegt, Ellie Bowen and her husband, Gary; Julie Porter and her husband, Donnie; Aaron VerSteegt and Ashley VerSteegt; four great-grandchildren, Nicole, Corey, Shauna and Alissa Lynn; two sisters, Betty Zuidema and her husband, Henry, of Killduff and Clara VanWyk of Pella.

Also surviving are his sisters-in-law, Gretchen VerSteegt, Amy VerSteegt and Karen VerSteegt, a brother-in-law, Burton VanWyk; other relatives and many friends.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.