## **Melvin Ver Steegt**

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Melvin "Gee" Ver Steegt, 61, of 105 Fourth St., Searsboro, died of a heart attack Tuesday, Aug. 1. at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the Lynnville Friends Church, with the Rev. Marvin Miller officiating. Music will be provided by organist Bernice Smith, vocalist Rod Zuidema and guitarist Bryan DeJong. Pallbearers will be Gaylord Elscott, James Henning, Eldon Thompson, Vincent Ver Steegt, Rod Zuidema and Steve Zuidema.

Burial will be in Woodland Cemetery, Lynnville, with the Smith Funeral Home of Grinnell in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in Mr. Ver Steegt's name may be made to Poweshiek County Conservation.

He was the son of Garritt and Maggie Van Genderen Ver Steegt and was born June 22, 1934, south of Lynnville. He was raised in the Lynnville area and attended school there.

He was married to Karen Stanley Sept. 26, 1959, in Searsboro. They fived in Lynnville where he worked as a mechanic. The family moved to Searsboro in 1965, and he operated the Skelly Service Station there. For the past 27 years he had been employed as an inspector for Famhand in Grinnell. He had served as secretary/treasurer of

United Auto Workers Local 1775.

Surviving are his wife; two daughters, Kelly Englert of Windsor, Colo., and Karla DePenning of Newton; one son, Michael of San Francisco, Calif.; two grandsons; two sisters, Clara Van Wyk of Pella and Betty Zuidema of Killduff; and one brother, Harold of Montezuma.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers, Clarence, Floyd, Gerald and Earl; and three sisters, Pauline Van Wyke and Mabel and Gladys Ver Steegt.

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