Edward John 'Jack' Ver Straeten

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Funeral services were Saturday, Nov. 30, for Edward John "Jack" Ver Stracten, 72, of Iowa City, who died of cancer Nov. 27, 1996, at Mercy Hospital in Iowa City.

Services were at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Iowa City, with the Rev. Charles Gannon officiating. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery, Brooklyn.

Ver Straeten was born Jan. 3, 1924, in Brooklyn, Iowa, the son of Charles and Mary Gallagher Ver Straeten. He graduated from Brooklyn High School, and was married to Patricia Westall Carlson on July 2, 1966, in Iowa City.

He was a former fire chief in Brooklyn, and a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Iowa City. He was employed by Walnut Grove Products of Atlantic for many years, as Supervisor of Field Distribution of the Eastern Division.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Margaret Boughin.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Ver Straeten of Iowa City, a daughter, Bonnic (Mrs. Kenneth) Keller, Deep River, two sons, James Carlson of Des Moines, and Jack (Linda) Carlson of Keokuk, five grandchildren, two brothers, Joseph Ver Straeten of Redlands, Calit., Charles (Therese) Ver Straeten of Des Moines, two sisters, Helen Roudabush of Grinnell, and Rita Teeter of Walnut Creek, Calif.

Memorials may be made to the Jack Ver Straeten memorial fund.

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A Jack Ver Straeten Memorial Fund has been established.