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Howard Olaf Funnemark:

January 16, 1923 - June 14, 2005

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WESLEY - Howard Olaf Funnemark, 82, died June 14 (2005), at the Algona Good Samaritan Care Center after a prolonged battle with cancer. Family grave site services were held at 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 16, at the Evergreen Cemetery in Wesley with Dr. Jes Tarp, former pastor of the Wesley Evangelical Free Church, officiating.

A memorial service was held at 7 p.m. on June 16 in the Wesley Evangelical Free Church.

Howard was born January 16, 1923, at Wesley, Iowa, to Olaf and Caroline Emma Nelson Funnemark. He lived his entire life on the family farm north of Wesley. He attended the local schools and graduated from Wesley High School in 1940. Howard chose farming as his occupation and took pride in doing it well.

In 1945, Howard married Frances Leicher at Loganville, Wisconsin. To this union, four children were born: Lorraine, Dennis, William and Nancy. The family was involved with school, church and community activities. Frances died of cancer in 1972.

Howard and Margery Goetz were married in 1976. They continued to live on the farm and enjoyed yard work, gardening and fishing. They also enjoyed keeping up with the children's and grandchildren's activities. Howard was very proud of all their accomplishments.

Howard is survived by his wife, Margery; his children, Lorraine Matthews and husband, Sam, Philadelphia, Pa.; Dennis, Major U.S. Air Force Ret. of Niceville, Fla.; William and wife, Carol, of Algona, Iowa and Dr. Nancy Krebs and husband, Barry, Lakewood, Colo. Also surviving are Margery's children, Gary and wife, Jean Goetz and Mark Goetz, of Wesley. There are eight grandchildren, two step-grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Howard's wife, Frances, his parents, two sisters and a brother preceded him in death.