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02-04-1997 Melvin Isaiah Kimberley, 80, of Maxwell died of cancer Saturday at his winter home in Mesa, Ariz. Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Farrar United Methodist Church, of which he was a member. Burial will be at Peoria Cemetery in Maxwell. Mr. Kimberley was born in Jasper County and lived in the Collins-Maxwell area all his life. He was a retired farmer and cattle feeder and had been a member of Polk County Cattleman's Association and the Bondurant-Farrar school boards. He was also a charter member of Story County Izaak Walton League and a Washington Township trustee. Surviving are his wife, Eleanore; two daughters, Betty Byers of Maxwell and Carolyn Young of Houston; a brother, Harry of Maxwell; four sisters, Helen Karpinski of Sussex, Wis., Ruth McGinnis of Marshalltown, Alice Kimberley of Lawrence, Kan., and Mary Ann Myers of Shell Rock; and four grandchildren. Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. today at Cooper Funeral Home in Maxwell, where the family will be present from 5 to 8 p.m.

Melvin Isaiah Kimberley

Aug. 7, 1916, to Feb. 1, 1997

Melvin Isaiah Kimberley, 80, of Maxwell, died Saturday, Feb. 1, of cancer at his winter home in Mesa, Ariz.

He was born to Isaiah Melvin and Beatrice Blondina (Frey) Kimberley in Jasper County on Aug. 7, 1916.

On May 26, 1940, he married Eleanore C. Peterson in Essex. He worked as a farmer and cattle feeder and retired in 1985. A lifetime resident of the Collins-Maxwell area, his memberships and activities included: being a member of the Farrar United Methodist Church, being a member of the Polk County Cattlemen's Association, serving on the Bondurant-Farrar School Board, being a charter member of the Story County Izaak Walton League, serving as a Washington Township trustee and attending St. Matthew's Methodist Church in Mesa, Ariz.

Survivors include his wife, Eleanore, of Maxwell; two daughters, Betty Byers, of Maxwell, and Carolyn Young, of Houston, Texas; four grandchildren; a brother, Harry Kimberley, of Maxwell; and four sisters, Helen Karpinski, of Sussex, Wis., Ruth McGinnis, of Marshalltown, Alice Kimberley, of Lawrence, Kan., and Mary Ann Myers, of Shell Rock.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a daughter and three brothers.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Feb. 5, at the Farrar United Methodist Church with Pastor Robert Gamble officiating. Burial was in the Peoria Cemetery in rural Maxwell. Cooper Funeral Home, Maxwell, handled arrangements.