

Lillard, Chester "Topsy"

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Collins



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Chester was a lifetime member of the Freland-Carver American Legion Post 81 and a 52 year member of Voyageur Militaire 40-8 of Story County. He also served on the Collins School Board and was a member of the Collins United Methodist Church, where he served on the church board. His hobbies included camping with his family, working at K-Mart in Ames, feeding the birds and squirrels and playing pool, cribbage and poker.

Chester is survived by his wife, Lucille D. Lillard of Collins; sons, Steven (Karen) Lillard of Panama City, Panama, and Dennis (Lisa) Lillard of Des Moines; six grandchildren, Jesse, Stefanee, Jordan, Kyle, Ryan and Austin; two sisters, Colleen Larson and Norma (Merle) Eggers, both of Ames; as well as many dear nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Wilma and LaWanda.

Memorials may be made to the Collins United Methodist Church, the Collins American Legion or the Israel Family Hospice House in Ames. Arrangements by the Fredgill Funeral Home in Collins.

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