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William (Bill) August Martsching

Aug. 19, 1920, to June 26, 2003

William (Bill) August Martsching, 82, of Ames, died of renal failure and congestive heart failure.

He was born Aug. 19, 1920, in Keokuk Township, Wapello County, on Aug. 19, 1920, to Frederick William and Lurena Belle (Edblom) Martsching. He attended Hubler School. He served in the United States Army during World War II. He married Treva LaVonne Marks in Ottumwa on Mother's Day, May 14, 1944. He farmed southeast of Ottumwa for 12 years. In 1958, he moved to Ames where he worked as a carpenter. After retirement, he spent many volunteer hours helping the Iowa Missouri Conference of Seventh-day Adventist, his home church in Ames and Ankeny Christian Academy in Ankeny. He was a member of the Ames Seventh-day Adventist Church and the American Legion Post 37. His life was surrounded with the love of church family and a host of friends.

Survivors include his wife, Treva of Ames; two sons, Paul Martsching of Ames and Marvin Lee (and Allayne) Martsching of Omaha, Neb.; a daughter, Tracie (and Cody) Cameron of Ankeny; five grandchildren; a sister, Mary Thomas of Ottumwa; and a brother, John Martsching of Bloomfield.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Fred, Bob, Jim and Dick.

Funeral services were held Monday, June 30, at Stevens Memorial Chapel in Ames. Military honors were given by the American Legion Post 37. Burial was in the Story Memorial Gardens, Ames. In lieu of flowers, love gifts may be sent to the family.