

OBITUARIES

Berwin Shaver, 81

Berwin Paul Shaver, 81, of 2203 Lincolnway, Marshalltown, died Thursday, December 9, 2004 at the Marshalltown Medical & Surgical Center. Following cremation at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory memorial services will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Monday, December 13, 2004 at the St. Paul Lutheran Church in State Center. Burial with military honors will follow services at the Hillside Cemetery in State Center. No visitation is planned at this time. Memorial contributions may be directed to the

St. Paul Lutheran Church, the Emergency Food Box or the Marshalltown Noon Lions



Club. For further information or to send a condolence please visit "<http://www.purseldavis.com>"

Berwin Paul Shaver was born October 27, 1923 in Omaha, Nebraska and was adopted by Guy and Maude Shaver. He was baptized in 1925 on Easter Sunday in Winner, South Dakota where he resided until he was 8. He grew up with his brother Herbert G. and sister Gloria Beber. The Shaver family moved to State Center, Iowa where Berwin graduated from High School in 1941. Berwin attended South Dakota State University until his enlistment with the United States Army in February of 1943. The World War II Veteran completed his service in June of 1945. Berwin and his brother Herbert founded Shaver Oil Company in Marshalltown in 1950.

Berwin became the sole owner of the Shaver Oil in 1976 and continued the oil business until his retirement in 1988.

Berwin married Verna Edler in State Center on New Years Day in 1949. They built their home in Marshalltown and welcomed daughter Nancy Jo in December 1950. Their daughter Terri Ann completed the family in 1953. Berwin and Verna celebrated 55 years of marriage and were truly life partners. Berwin had a special place in his heart for his granddaughters Kelly and Kimberly.

Berwin was an active member and council representative of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in State Center. He held positions on the boards of the Legion Golf Club and Meals on Wheels. He was a 47 year member and past president of the Marshalltown Noon Lions Club and was presented with the Warren Coleman award. Berwin was a member of the American Legion Frank Lewis Glick Post # 46, the VFW Harry C. Harter Post #839 and the Souvenir Club. He hosted a Thursday evening Bible study and was a volunteer for the Marshalltown Food Box.

Berwin is survived by his wife Verna (Edler) of Marshalltown, his daughter Nancy and her husband Richard Davis of Des Moines, his daughter Terri and her husband Dean Dietz of Lincoln, Nebraska and his granddaughters Kelly and Kimberly Dietz of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Berwin was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Herbert and his sister Gloria Beber.