

Edward "Blackie" Winebrinner, age 79, of Newell, Iowa, died Sunday, January 29, 2006 at Loring Hospital in Sac City, Iowa.

Edward Calvin Winebrinner, better known as Blackie, was born December 15, 1926 to George Winebrinner and Eva May (Brott) Winebrinner at Bedford, Iowa. His parents moved to Fonda, Iowa, where he grew up. As a youth he went to live with Ray Longnecker, a farmer living south of Fonda.

In September of 1950, he was baptized and confirmed into the Lutheran faith at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in rural Sac City, Iowa.

Blackie was united in marriage to Ruth Hardyk at St. Peter's Lutheran Church on October 6, 1950. Their union was blessed with six children: Donald, Dennis, Susan, Michael, Martin and John.

After serving two years in the Army, Blackie farmed for two years, then moved his family to Newell. While living there, he worked for the City of Newell, Buena Vista County and Wilson Foods in Cherokee, Iowa. In 1961, Blackie joined Alcoholics Anonymous, and has been active in the fellowship since then.

When Blackie retired from the City of Newell in 1989, he and Ruth built a summer cabin at Spirit Lake, where they enjoyed the summers. In 2002 they sold that place, and have spent their time since at their home in Newell.



Blackie enjoyed hunting and fishing. In later years, he discovered he enjoyed growing flowers. He made his home beautiful with this love of flowers.

Blackie was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers and one grandson.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth; children: Donald and wife Darlys, Dennis and wife Debbie, Susan and husband Marlow Scheffer, Michael and wife Joan, Martin and wife Pam, and John and wife Joy. Blackie is further survived by his grandchildren: Jill and husband Jamie Tuttle; Eric, Travis, Shaun, Kayla, Todd, Brandie, Joshua and Caleb; as well as extended family and a host of friends.



In Loving Memory



Edward C. Winebrinner

"Blackie"

1926—2006



IN MEMORY OF

Edward Calvin Winebrinner

"Blackie"

December 15, 1926 — January 29, 2006

FUNERAL SERVICE

Thursday, February 2, 2006 at 2:00 p.m.

CLERGY

Reverend Michael Harmon

MUSIC

Donna Larsen, Organist

Dale Ahrends, Soloist

"Beautiful Savior"

"Amazing Grace"

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

"Just As I Am"

"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

CASKET BEARERS

Dennis Lauderdale—Jerry Wilson—Randy Braunschweig

Donald Reman—Jeff Mingus—Darrell Boisen

INTERMENT

Military Rites by Newell American Legion

Newell Cemetery ■ Newell, Iowa

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"This great experience that released me from the bondage of hatred and replaced it with love is really just another affiliation of the truth I know: I get everything I need in Alcoholics Anonymous — everything I need I get — and when I get what I need I invariably find that it was just what I wanted all the time."

From the Freedom from Bondage Chapter of the Book of Alcoholics Anonymous

We wish to express our gratitude for the kindness evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. You are invited for lunch and a time of fellowship at Nain Lutheran Church in Newell immediately following the burial.

— *Blackie's Family*