



Delbert Black, 98, of 320 S. Dubuque Street in Iowa City, died Tuesday, March 30, 2010, at Mercy Hospice Care in Iowa City.

Delbert chose to be cremated. A memorial service was held Saturday, April 3, at 11:00 a.m. at Lensing's Oak Hill, 210 Holiday Road in Coralville where the family greeted friends from 10:30 a.m. until service time. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Iowa City. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Iowa City Hospice.

Delbert was born August 31, 1911 in Eldon, Iowa, to Orville and Carrie (Richardson) Black. He married Iona Anna Richter on December 2, 1931, in Rock Island, Illinois. He farmed near Columbus Junction on the same farm for 24 years. He was also employed by Eclipse Lumberyard and drove a school bus for Columbus Junction for 2 years.

Moving to Iowa City in 1957, he was employed by Owens Brush Co. where he worked small stores for fourteen years until his retirement. Delbert was a member of the United Methodist Church in Columbus Junction.

Survivors include one daughter, Barbara Jons of Coralville, six grandchildren, Jacklyn (Jons) Hardy, Jennifer (Jons) Fitzpatrick and her husband, Shawn, Jason Jons and his wife, Michelle, Anne (Black) Ferguson and her husband, Jeff, Deborah (Black) Wohlers and Christine (Black) Gordon and her husband, Mark and 10 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife Iona, a son Delbert Black Jr., a son in law, Lyle Jons and two sisters, Gail Keckler and Mary Bell.

On-line condolences can be directed to www.lensingfuneral.com.