LaVern Franklin Horner, 85 of Ames, Iowa, died Thursday, November 18, 2004 at the Israel Family Hospice House. Funeral services were held Saturday, November 20, at Adams Funeral Home with Rev. Larry Vallery of First United Methodist Church officiating.

LaVern was born September 9, 1919, in Sheldahl, Iowa to Forest and Ida (Burkey) Horner. He lived most of his life in Colo, moving to Ames when he retired. He married Norma J. Rogers in Colo on June 26, 1949. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He worked as a farmer. He was a member of the Colo United Methodist Church, a 50-year member of Columbia 292 A.F. and A.M. in Colo, the Isabel Order of the Eastern Star and the Colo American Legion #139.

Survivors include his wife Norma Horner of Ames, two daughters, Donna Banker of Ames and Barbara Horner of Ankeny; a sister, Kay Ellison of Boone; and two grandsons, Benjamin Banker of Phoenix AZ and Brian Banker of Ames.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Adams Funeral Home handled arrangements.