

**James E. Brown, Jr**

**August 27, 1942 – June 2, 1987**

James Edward Brown, Jr., 44 , of Orange City, died unexpectedly Tuesday morning, June 2, 1987 at home.

He was born August 27, 1942 in Ottumwa, IA, the son of James E. Sr and Marge (Pilcher) Brown. He married Helene Sorgdrager on February 17, 1966, in Ottumwa. The couple had lived in Orange City, IA for the last 10 years. He was a supervisor at Hope Haven prior to becoming disabled.

James was a member of the Lutheran Deaf Church and served as president of the Worthington Deaf Club.

Survivors included his wife, Helene; one son, Mark and two daughters, Jody and Susan, all of Orange City; his father, James E. Brown, Sr, of Kansas City, MO, and a brother, George of Ottumwa. He was preceded in death by his mother and a brother, David.

Services held at Calvary Christian Reformed Church in Orange City. The Rev. John T. Ebbers officiated. Burial at West Lawn Cemetery. Visitation held at Van Gelder Funeral Home in Orange City.