Gerald Andre Landstrum, 82

Gerald Andre Landstrum, 82, of Montezuma, died Friday, April 27, 2012, at the Montezuma Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Montezuma. Graveside services will be held privately at the Barnes City Cemetery in Barnes City. Military honors will be conducted by the Fuller-Sarvis American Legion Post No. 507.

Friends may send condolences or sign the online guestbook at www.hollandcoblefuneralhomes.com. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Montezuma Fire and Rescue Department.

Gerald (Jerry) Andre Landstrum, 82 of Montezuma, was born July 12, 1929 near Barnes City, the son of Gerald Andre and Jessie June Barnes Landstrum. He attended and graduated as Valedictorian from Barnes City High School in 1946. He then enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1948 serving in Okinawa, Japan with the 229th Ordnance. He also served with the 514th Medical Company during the Korean Conflict. He was honorably discharged in 1951. He then began his farming career and later married Lily Mae Grife on Dec. 21, 1953. To this union three sons and three daughters were born. Jerry retired from farming in 1984. He enjoyed vacations and doing most anything with family and friends. Jerry was a member of the Elks Lodge in Oskaloosa and the Fuller-Sarvis American Legion in Barnes City.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Gerald Andre Landstrum III; and a brother, Bill Landstrum.

Jerry is survived by two sons: Sandy (Sharon) Landstrum of Sigourney, and Kelly Landstrum (Julie Wagner) of Gibson; three daughters: Kim (Ike Glinsmann) Doonan of Washington, Sue (Jeff) Schultz of Grinnell and Joy (Mike) Henry of Montezuma. Gerald's life was also blessed with 13 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.