Vernley Bone, 94, of Montezuma, passed away Thursday, Sept. 5, 2013, at the Montezuma Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Montezuma. Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m., Monday, Sept. 9, at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma. Burial was in the Golden Rod Cemetery in Deep River. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the family. Holland-Coble Funeral Home of Montezuma is in charge of arrangements.

Vernley Carroll Bone, son of Carroll and Edith (Hurd) Bone was born on Feb. 21, 1919, in Keswick. He attended country school in the North English area. On Jan. 9, 1947, Vernley was united in marriage to Betty Morrow in Kansas City, Kan. Vernley enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in June of 1942, where he was stationed in Oahu, Hawaii. Vernley also served time on the U.S.S. Mississippi, where he was a Line Sergeant in the South Pacific Theatre during World War II. Following his honorable discharge for the Marines in 1945, Vernley farmed in the Barnes City area and worked for Amana Refrigeration up until his retirement. He raised honey bees and enjoyed going for bicycle and motorcycle rides. Vernley was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints of Newton.

Vernley was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Betty Bone; a son, Richard Lee Grif; and two sisters, Helen Tobias and Margret Chickwich.

His memory will be honored by three nieces, Barbara (Harold) Wheaton of Clive, Claudia Obermiller of Farewell, Neb., and Patty (Denny) Van Vark of Montezuma. He is also survived by four great nieces and nephews.