ARLO WILLIAM VAN HOEVER

Arlo Van Hoever, 84 of Grinnell and formerly of Montezuma, passed away Tuesday morning, March 18, 2014, at his home at Windsor Manor in Grinnell. Memorial services were Friday, March 21, 2014 at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma with military rites provided at the funeral home by the Blakely-Stevens American Legion Post #169.

Burial will be held at a later date at the Jackson Township Cemetery in Montezuma. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to Grinnell Regional Hospice. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.hollandcoblefuneralhomes.com. Holland-Coble Funeral Home of Montezuma is assisting Arlo’s family with arrangements.

Arlo William Van Hoever, son of Jacob and Jessie (Johannes) Van Hoever, was born on February 27, 1930, in rural Montezuma. He graduated from Montezuma High School in 1948. Arlo enlisted in the United States Army in 1951 and was honorably discharged in 1953. On February 15, 1953, Arlo was united in marriage to Maxine Stanley at the Stanley farm in rural Searboro. To this union three children were born, Penni, Danny and Ginger. Arlo owned the D-X Filling Station in Montezuma with Keith Watts before starting A and A Motor Service with Artie Craver in the early 1960s. He also worked at Vannoy Chevrolet, he owned his own mechanic shop in Searboro and worked at various other auto mechanic shops, before going to work at Bushong Construction for 10 years retiring in 1998. Arlo enjoyed gardening, coffee time, having a good conversation with his friends and family, playing cards and above all, spending time with his family and especially his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, whom he loved to tease and give nicknames. He was a 60-year member of the Blakely-Stevens American Legion Post #169 and a member of the Jackson Church of Christ.

His memory will be cherished by his wife of 61 years, Maxine Van Hoever of Grinnell; three children, Penni (Lee) Shafter of Montezuma, Danny Van Hoever of Searboro and Ginger (Kent) McIraith of Montezuma; eight grandchildren, Bart (Sheri) Shafter, Bri (John) Haynes, Baylee (Junior) Kempf, Buck Van Hoever, Holly (Jessie Petersen) Reed, Jeb Brown, Bristen (Chad) Geimer and Maddie (Brandon Rottinghaus) Brown; seven great-grandchildren, Stevie, Jadyn, Westen, Willow, Dominic, Taylor and Greyson; and a sister, Virginia Neofotist of Grinnell.

Arlo was preceded in death by his parents; and a grandson, Ben Shafter.

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