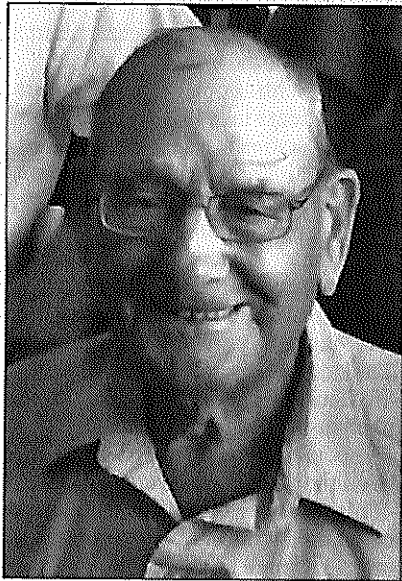


## Robert Braaksma



Robert Braaksma, 90, formerly of Lynnville and rural New Sharon, died Sunday morning, Jan. 10, 2016, at St. Francis Manor in Grinnell.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Jan. 14, at the Lynnville Friends Church. Burial will be held in the Woodland Cemetery in Lynnville.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Grinnell Regional Hospice. Holland-Coble Funeral Home of Montezuma is in charge of arrangements.

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Bob enjoyed dancing, camping, attending flea markets, coffee time and spending time with his family. He was also an avid hunter and fisherman, taking several fishing trips to Canada. Bob was a member of the Lynnville Friends Church. He was on the Lynnville Telephone Board, the Poweshiek County Fair Board and was a Swine Supervisor.

He is survived by his sons Gene Braaksma, Curtis Braaksma and Rob Braaksma, all of Lynnville; stepchildren, Dale DeHoedt, Dean DeHoedt and Diane DeHoedt; four grandchildren; six great grandchildren; four great-great grandchildren; a brother, Larry Braaksma of Newton; and two sisters, Frances Enyart of Georgia and Leona Nielsen of Chariton.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents; two wives; a grandson; brothers Gysbert "Bud" Braaksma, Carroll "Butch" Braaksma, Louis Braaksma and Wayne Braaksma; and two sisters, Viola Mae and Gertrude Hites.

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