Funeral services for William B. Sevenbergen Sr. were held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 6, 2009, at the First Baptist Church in Newton. The Peace-Reese Funeral Home in Newton have been entrusted with the arrangements. Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church or Hospice of Jasper County.

William B. Sevenbergen Sr., 83, the son of Arnold M. and Winnifred E. (Burch) Sevenbergen, was born March 11, 1926, in Montezuma. He attended school near Montezuma.

On July 6, 1945, William was united in marriage with Mildred M. Roop in Iowa City. William and Mildred moved to the Newton area in 1953. He was employed as a steam press operator by the Maytag Company on Sept. 2, 1952, retiring on Oct. 1, 1987. William served his country during World War II, with the U.S. Navy. Mildred preceded him in death on Dec. 16, 1994. He was devoted to his family, was a member of the First Baptist Church, enjoyed being part of the Jasper County Senior Citizens, and loved maintaining and rebuilding cars. On Jan. 18, 1997, William was united in marriage with Lois Perkins.

William died on Monday morning, Aug. 3, in the Monarch Wing at Skiff Medical Center in Newton. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Mildred; a daughter-in-law, Kristin A. Sevenbergen; and two brothers, Robert Sevenbergen in 2001, and Keith Sevenbergen in 2009.

Those left to honor William’s memory include wife, Lois of Newton; sons, Robert E. (Joyce) Sevenbergen of Ames, William B. (Suzanne) Sevenbergen Jr. of Des Moines, Keith A. (Kathy) Sevenbergen of Newton, Richard D. (Pamela) Sevenbergen of Coon Rapids, Minn., and Roger D. (Michelle) Sevenbergen of Norton, Ohio; his daughter, Susan K. (Tim W.) White of Newton; 17 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Shirley (Floyd) Chast of Bakersfield, Calif., and Mary Butler of Newton; and his many friends.

Online condolences may be left for the family at: www.pencefh.com.