

Carl Coffey, 90

Carl F. Coffey, 90, of Montezuma, died Thursday, July 31, 1998 at the Aase Haugen Home in Decorah.

Funeral services were Wednesday morning, July 29, 1998 at Watts Funeral Home in Montezuma. The Rev. Dennis Dorsheimer officiated.

Soloist Darrell Brand sang "Amazing Grace" and "Because He Lives." He was accompanied on the organ by Kathleen Ramsey.

Casket bearers were Ryan Coffey, Dennis Broadston, Gary Broadston, Joseph Coffey, Donald Broadston and Andrew Broadston.

Burial followed in the Masonic-IOOF Cemetery in Montezuma with military rites by Blakley-Stevens American Legion Post No. 169. Masonic rites were performed by members of Lafayette Lodge No. 52 A.F. & A.M.

Carl was born March 26, 1908 in Lynnville, the son of Frank and Leo Coffey. He graduated from Lynnville High School and attended Iowa State

University for one year.

In October 1938, he married Helen Broadston.

He was a Chief Warrant Officer in the Army during World War II. He was also a P.O.W. and received the Bronze Star.

Carl lived all his married life in Montezuma, where he owned and operated Coffey Electric. Later, he was a custodian at Montezuma Community School and worked for the Montezuma Water Plant.

Carl was a member of the Montezuma United Methodist Church. He was also a Mason and member of Lafayette Lodge No. 52 A.F. & A.M. He was also a member of Blakley-Stevens American Legion Post No. 169.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three sisters, Ruth, Mary and Tennie.

He is survived by his wife, Helen; a son and his wife, Charles and Debra of Decorah; three grandsons, Ryan, Joseph and Matthew, other relatives and many friends.

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