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Mr. Gilbreath's funeral was Saturday, Jan. 15 at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell. The Rev. John Epperson, pastor of Grinnell Christian Church officiated. Casket bearers were Michael Brooks, Patrick Brooks, Jay Brooks, Mark Brooks, Roger Gilbreath and LeRoy Meredith.

Burial was in Jackson Township Cemetery in Montezuma.

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sion.

On Dec. 13, 1958, he married Madge Ellen Walker in Unionville, Mo. The couple lived at Rock Creek Lake and Mr. Gilbreath worked as an electroplater for Midwest Manufacturing Company in Kellogg. The couple moved to Gilman in 1995.

Mr. Gilbreath was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Clyde and Virgil Gilbreath and three sisters, Dorothy Klaus, Naomi Sanders and Vina Martin.

His survivors are his wife, Madge E. Gilbreath of Gilman; two stepsons, Michael Brooks of Newton and Patrick Brooks of Marshalltown; four step-grandchildren, three step-great-grandchildren and two sisters, Ruth James of Cedar Rapids and Eula Van Tomme of Brooklyn.

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