

## Ernest G. McFerren

Ernest G. McFerren, 80, of rural Montezuma died Thursday, Dec. 7, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at the Watts Funeral Home in Montezuma, with the Rev. George Salnave of the United Presbyterian Church of Montezuma officiating. Military graveside rites were conducted by members of Blakley-Stevens Legion Post No. 169 in Montezuma, with burial in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery there.

The son of Ralph E. and Margaret Henry McFerren, he was born June 14, 1909, on the family farm north of Montezuma. He was a 1927 graduate of Montezuma High School.

He attended Iowa State College for two years before working for the Iowa Highway Commission. He later returned to Iowa State, graduating in 1941 with a degree in civil engineering.

Mr. McFerren worked with the Corps of Engineers in the Panama Canal Zone before the war. During World War II he served as a chief petty officer with the U.S. Navy.

Following the death of his mother, he returned to Montezuma to farm and take care of his father. He also worked for the A.S.C. office.

Mr. McFerren was a member of the American Legion, serving as service officer for several years. He was also a member of the Iowa Engineering Society.

Surviving are a brother, Edgar of Fond du Lac, Wis., and a sister, Lenore Barnes of Malcom. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorials may be made to Blakley-Stevens American Legion Post and sent in care of the Watts Funeral Home.

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