

William Plum

Dies Mar. 27

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William H. (Bill) Plum, Jr., 56, a former Grinnellian, died Thursday, Mar. 27, at Ottumwa Hospital.

Mr. Plum, the son of William and Edna Baustian Plum, was born Mar. 20, 1918, in Poweshiek County. He was raised in the Grinnell area, leaving in 1938.

He was an Army veteran of World War II, and a member of the American Legion. He had been an employe of John Morrell and Co. for over 30 years, and was a member of the What Cheer Christian Church.

He married Laneta Thomas on May 7, 1970, at Lancaster, Mo. She survives him.

Other survivors include four stepsons, Keith, Kenneth, and Richard Thomas, all of Ottumwa, and Ronald Thomas of Camanche; 20 step-grandchildren; one step-great-grandson; his mother, Mrs. Edna Plum of Toledo; five brothers, Lester of Toledo, Marion and Max, both of Tama, James of Montour, and Milo of Marshalltown; and three sisters, Lois Walters of Malcom, Donna Kremenak of Toledo, and Judy Burton of Waterloo.

He was preceded in death by his father, William Plum; five brothers, Raymond, Reynold, Walter, John, and Kenneth; and a sister, Dorothy.

Services were held Saturday, Mar. 30, at 1 p.m. at the Johnson Funeral Chapel in Ottumwa with the Rev. Cecil Simonton of Davis Street Christian Church officiating.

Burial was in the Sheridan Cemetery. Military services were conducted by the Tama American Legion Post.

Pallbearers were LaVerne Lamb, Clarence Cogley, Eldon Oltrogge, Earnest Archer, Gordon Young, and Vernon Gullett.