Norman R. Mason, 87

Norman Robert Mason, 87, of New Sharon, died Tuesday, Sept. 28, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

His funeral service was Friday, Oct. 1, at the New Sharon United Methodist Church with Pastor Boyd Sparks, of the Barnes City United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment followed at Barnes City Cemetery in Barnes City with the Rev. Kevin Glesener officiating, and with full military honors given by members of the Fuller-Sarvis American Legion Post No. 507 at Barnes City and had been a member for 60 years. He enjoyed golfing, the Iowa State Fair (which he and Grace had attended for 54 consecutive years) and spending winters in Texas.

Norman’s memory is honored by his wife of 62 years, Grace; son Jerry Mason and wife Clare and his daughter Janet Pinkerton and husband David, all of New Sharon; and six grandchildren. Also surviving are five sisters, Mae Ruby of New Sharon, Wanda Robertson, and Ivalene Robbins and her husband David, all of Oskaloosa, Wilma Sanders of Deep River, and Nancy Doonan and husband Larry, of Barnes City; three brothers, Paul Mason and wife Louella, of Montezuma, Walter Mason and wife Lavonie, of New Sharon, and Earnest Mason and wife Joan, of Oskaloosa; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, William and Oren Mason; two sisters, Edith Kinney and Ina Cox, and three half sisters.

Memorials may be made to the New Sharon Fire and Rescue Association or to the Barnes City Volunteer Fire Department.