

Lowell W. Thompson

Lowell W. Thompson, 60, of Rte. 1, Grinnell, died of lung cancer Tuesday, June 30, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday at the First Friends Church, with the Rev. Evelyn Larson officiating. Music was provided by Kathy Vanderploeg, organist; Jean and Laura Dale, vocalists; Martin Pearce, harmonica; and Peggy Larimer, guitar.

Pallbearers were Tom Ahrens, Tom Bryant, Dave Durr, Greg Kaisand, Joe Phipps, Darwin Stepanek and Tracy McCammant.

Veterans rights were conducted by members of the Grinnell Veterans Ceremonial Unit, with burial in the Westfield Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the First Friends Church.

The son of George and Nettie Drake Thompson, he was born Feb. 7, 1932, near Grinnell. He attended rural school and Grinnell public schools. He served with the U.S. Navy during the Korean conflict.

He was married to Audeen Criswell Aug. 11, 1952, in Iowa City. The couple lived near Grinnell, and he worked as a die caster for the Maytag Company in Newton for over 31 years, retiring in August 1980.

Mr. Thompson attended the first Friends Church and was a member of the American Le-

gion and the United Auto Workers Union.

Surviving are his wife; three sons, Glenn, Sheldon and John "Thompy," all of Grinnell; one daughter, Rea Ahrens of Grinnell; four grandchildren; one brother, Robert of Gilman; and one sister, Ann Schuele of Maryville, Tenn.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his stepfather, Ira Bell; and one sister, Rose Thompson.