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## Marion Hardeman

Marion Hardeman, 75, of 1336 Prairie St. in Grinnell died on Friday, Feb. 8, at the Veterans Medical Center in Des Moines.

Funeral services for Marion Hardeman will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 11, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell, with the Rev. John Epperson, pastor of the Grinnell Christian Church, officiating.

Casket bearers will include Matthew Hamor, Jay and Steve Hardeman, Ken Dutemple, Russ Sadler and Paul Strovers. Graveside rites will be conducted by the Grinnell Veterans Ceremonial Unit. Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Marion Hardeman was born on Sept. 19, 1927, near Taintor, Iowa, the son of Pete and Lena Huyser Hardeman. He was raised on the family farm and attended rural schools. Following his education, he helped his family on the farm and served with the United States Army during the Korean Conflict.

On Feb. 20, 1955, he married Kay Marie Quillen in New Sharon. The couple farmed near Taintor and Barnes City before moving to Grinnell. While living in Grinnell, he worked as a truck driver for the Clark Brink Trucking Company for 19 years. In 1979, he began working for the grounds department at Grinnell College, a position from which he retired in 1993.

Following his retirement, he worked part-time for C & K Transfer in Grinnell.

He was a member of the VFW and the American Legion. He enjoyed fishing and camping.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Steve of Grinnell and Jay of Cedar Rapids; one daughter, Michelle Eckerman of Grinnell; six grandchildren; two brothers, John of Searsboro and Wendell of Arkansas; and four sisters, Thelma Story of Grinnell, Helen Dill of Denver, Colo., and Barbara Johnson and Arlene Bryngelson, both of Minnesota.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorials may be directed to the Hazelwood Cemetery Landscaping Fund and sent in care of Smith Funeral Home, Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.