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His funeral service was held Thursday, Oct. 10, at the Grinnell Christian Church with burial in the Westfield Cemetery near Grinnell. Smith Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Gale was born Sept. 20, 1926, in Appanoose County to Virgil (Andy) and Mary Richmond Johnson. The family moved to the Grinnell area and he attended rural school in Jasper County. Following his education, he worked for the Grinnell Shoe Company and served with the U.S. Army in Korea.

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Survivors include his wife, Alice Johnson of Montezuma; two sons, Steve Johnson of Brooklyn and Marty Johnson of Grinnell; two daughters, Vickey McDowell of Grinnell and Lora Gates of Chelsea; one brother, Leo Richmond of Kansas City, Mo.; and three sisters, Lois Jones of Grinnell, Barbara Priest of Des Moines and Maxine Burch of Millersburg; nine grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

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