Jasper J. Belcher

Jasper J. Belcher, 79, of Grinnell died Nov. 4, 2009, at the VA Hospital in Iowa City. Memorial services will be held Friday, Nov. 13, at 9 a.m. at First Baptist Church in Grinnell with the Rev. Shane Estes officiating. Family and friends are also welcome graveside at 10 a.m. at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell. Cremation Society of Eastern Central Western Iowa is assisting the family.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.iowacre mation.com

Jasper Junior Belcher was born on Nov. 7, 1929, to Jasper, Sr. and Bessie Tenant Belcher. He married Karen Smouse on Oct. 13, 1959, in Princeton, Mo. Jasper proudly served in the Marine Corps during the Korean Conflict. He later owned and operated Bud's Home Repair in Grinnell for 14 years, and retired in 1986 due to health problems.

He is survived by his wife Karen; three daughters, Robin Mackle of Glendale, Ariz., Shirley Parrott and Phyllis Turner both of Grinnell; one son, Jay Belcher of Snowflake, Ariz.; nine grand-children; 18 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren.

Jasper was preceded in death by his parents and one daughter, Penny Sue Forest in 1980

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