

Robert Barker

Robert Barker, 80 of Montezuma died Sept. 20 at his home. Services were at Sept. 23, at Holland-Coble Funeral Home with Pastor George Salnave officiating. Interment was in Veterans Cemetery in Van Meter.

General Robert F. Barker, son of James and Flossie (Sedam) Barker was born March 10, 1930 in Seneca, Kan.

Bob was graduated from Seneca High School. After high school, Bob's family relocated to Beatrice, Neb. There he began working for Dempster Mill Manufacturing. Bob worked his way up through the company and eventually was assigned as a traveling representative for northern Iowa.

On Feb. 1, 1952, Bob was united in marriage to Carole C. Hansen. To this union three children were born, Dana, David and Mary. Bob enlisted in the Army National Guard and retired as a Director of Maintenance at Camp Dodge.

During his retirement Bob was recalled to head up the Joint Mortuary Affairs in Dover, Del. during Operation Desert Storm. Bob enjoyed hunting, fishing, boating, bowling, golfing and volunteering at the Museum at Camp Dodge.

Bob is survived by his wife of 58 years, Carole of Montezuma; three children, Dana (Tom) Konchalski of Omaha, David Barker of Ankeny and Mary Burnett of Phoenix, Ariz., four grandchildren, James Reeves, Jason Reeves, Ashley Barker and Zane Barker and five great grandchildren.

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