

## MELVIN GAULEY

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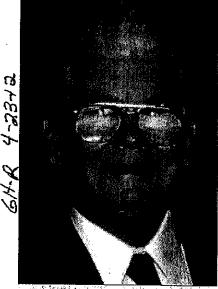
He was a member of the First Baptist Church, th Grinnell American Legion and the Odd Fellows in Grinnel He dearly loved his family and his enjoyments include visiting with his friends, traveling, cars, motorcycles, an woodworking. He was an avid Chicago Cubs fan.

Melvin is survived by his son, Dennis (Barbara) Gaule of Ankeny, and his four sisters, Clara McMeekin, Mildre

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Visitation will held prior to his service beginning at 9 a.m. at the funeral home.

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