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A scripture service was scheduled for 7 p.m., Monday, Oct. 22, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Rev. Mr. William Olson, deacon of St. Mary's Catholic Church, officiating. A grave-side service with military honors will be held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 23, at the Iowa Veterans Cemetery near Adel.

Paul was born on Sept. 25, 1933, in Belle Plaine to Paul and Irene Collins Mattox. He was raised in Tama and attended public school there. During the Korean Conflict he served with the United States Army. He was later adopted by Robert Jurgensen.

On Aug. 15, 1953, he married Shirley Gibson in Tama. The couple lived in Iowa, Minnesota and Oklahoma before moving to Grinnell in 1969. He worked as a truck driver and spent 25 years with the Farmhand Company in Grinnell.

Paul enjoyed fishing, bowling, billiards, hunting mushrooms and supporting the Iowa Hawkeyes. When he was younger he played softball and was a boxer.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley Jurgensen of Oskaloosa; two sons, Randy P. Jurgensen of Tama and James A. Jurgensen of Sully; three daughters, Connies Jurgensen and Bethanne Spurgensen and Bethanne Spurgensen both of Oskalousa and Jackie Pollock of Newford, Margandia children; and 16 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his step-father; one daughter, Becky Jurgensen; one grandson; one granddaughter; one great granddaughter; one great grandson; and his sister, Barbara.

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