Obituaries

Charles Kercheval, 92

Wedineschy, November 12, 2003



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A memorial service will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 12, at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma. Visitation will be one hour before the service at the funeral home. Inurnment will be at Jackson Township Cemetery in Montezuma. Memorials will be named at a later date.

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On May 20, 1939 Charles was united in marriage to Wilma Krasche at the Krasche home in Perry. To this union two children were born, John and David. Charles taught Jr. High School in Rippey, where he also coached girls basketball. He was also employed with Montezuma Consolidated School for

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In 1941 Charles joined the Montezuma State Bank and served the bank continually other than time-out for three years of service in the Navy during World War II. He was elected to the board of directors in 1951 and was elected president in 1974. Charles retired from the bank on Jan. 8, 2008. He was a past member of the American Legion and a member of the Masonic Lodge. He served as president of Junior Chamber of Commerce, the library board, the city treasurer and director of the Montezuma Mutual Telephone Company. He also served on the Veterans Affairs Commission of Poweshiek County. Charles was an elder and a trustee for the Montezuma Presbyterian

His memory is honored by his wife, Wilma, of Montezuma; two sons, John (Saráh) Kercheval of Montezuma and David (Brenda) Kercheval of Montezuma; his brother, Dr. M.L. (Eileen) Kercheval of Grand Junction, Colo.; seven grandchildren, Dr. Deborah (Dan) Holte, Nicholas Kercheval, David Kercheval, Jamie (Patrick) Wisse, Joel (Tiffany) Kercheval, Laura Kercheval and Jacob Kercheval and 10 great grandchildren.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents, Clinton and Mary Maude Kercheval; a brother, Dr. James W. Kercheval; a grandson, Jimmy Kercheval and a granddaughter, Polly Kercheval.

Friends may give condolences or sign the online guest book at hollandcoblefuneralhome.com.

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