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Survivors include two children, Sandy Cooper and Tom Clifton of Grinnell; three sisters, Nedra Neville and Shirley Carter of Grinnell and Ruth Varnum of Remmington Beach, Fla.; five grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren.

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