

MARVIN BLAIN
Aug. 9, 1935 - Sept. 27, 2018

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Marvin Blain, 83 of Montezuma passed away peacefully September 27, at his home near Montezuma under hospice care. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. October 6, at Community Hope Church, Montezuma. Visitation/luncheon will follow the service in fellowship hall. Burial will be held at a later date in the Jackson Township Cemetery in Montezuma. Holland-Coble Funeral Home of Montezuma is in charge of arrangements.

Marvin Leo Blain, the son of Ival and Evelyn (Peterson) Blain, was born Aug. 9, 1935 at the Blain family farm near Montezuma.

He was a 1953 graduate of Montezuma High School. Marvin attended William Penn University and Iowa State University before enlisting with the United States Army. Marvin proudly served his country and following his honorable discharge, he returned home and continued to serve with the National Guard.

June 14, 1959, Marvin was united in marriage to Kathleen Mitchell at the Montezuma Methodist Church. To this union three children were born, Jodi, Scott and Terry. Marvin farmed near Montezuma most of his life. While farming, he also worked at the grocery store in Montezuma cutting meat before working for the COOP spraying fields.

In 1969, Marvin started working at Amana Refrigeration. After 29 years at Amana, Marvin retired and continued to farm. Family and faith were very important to Marvin. He was a member of the Community Hope Church in Montezuma and enjoyed Wednesday night Bible study group. Marvin went on a Mission Trip to Roma, TX near the Mexico border fixing and building churches. He enjoyed the time he spent remodeling their home, spending time with his family and Case Tractors.

His memory will be cherished by his wife of 59 years, Kathy Blain of Montezuma; two sons, Scott (Billee) Blain of Montezuma and Terry (Juan Herrera) Blain of Des Moines; five grandchildren, Lynston (Ben) Schamberger, Savannah (James) Hunter, Skylar Waterbeck, Hannah (Aidan) Corrales and Mariah Hightower; seven great grandchildren, Paxton, Sawyer, Truett, Levi, Logan, Lucas and Cash; a brother, Gary (Nancy) Blain of Washington, Iowa; a sister, Jean (Charlie) Axtell of Leesburg, Florida and many nieces, nephews and friends.