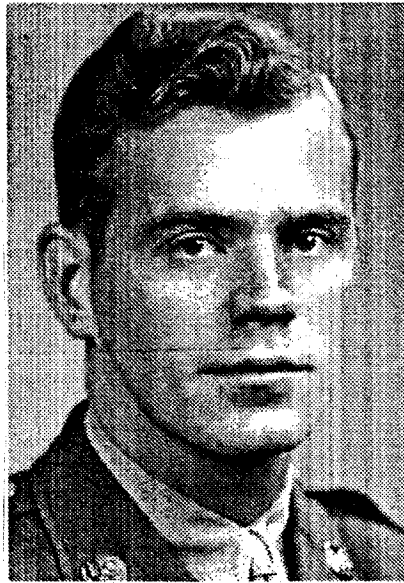


## Gerald R. Beason



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Funeral services for Gerald Beason will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, July 18, at the Lynnville Friends Church with the Rev. Jeff Lee officiating. Burial will follow at the Woodland Cemetery in Lynnville.

Visitation with the family will begin at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday at the church and continue till the time of the service.

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He married Vera Ratcliff, also of Lynnville, on May 1, 1945, at the Lynnville Friends Church. The couple lived in Pella for a few years, then returned to Lynnville in 1954.

He worked for the Pella Telephone Company, the Lynnville Farm & Home Store, the Sully Co-op Creamery, Green Colonial Heating & Cooling, Lennox and William Penn College.

He took satisfaction in being able to make repairs others found challenging. He was a former HAM radio operator and enjoyed computers.

He is survived by his wife, his son, Ron Beason, of Urbandale; his daughter, Karen Litwiller of Albany, Ore., four grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Leland, and a sister, Lena.

Harden Funeral Home of New Sharon was in charge of the arrangements.

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