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A funeral service was held Thursday morning, Aug. 30, at Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Tim Stewart, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Pallbearers were Jim Failor, John Huth, Buford "Red" Isaac, Justin Montgomery, Jeffrey Moore and Jeremy Stockdall. Honorary bearers were Craig Adams, Lyle Davis, Doyle Mikles, Lee Staroska and Robert Weisskopf. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Grinnell Regional Hospice or Fleur Heights Care Center in Des Moines.

The son of Mose Abner and Gladys M. Freshour Moore, he was born Nov. 26, 1934, in Mahaska County northeast of New Sharon. He was raised in New Sharon and later Montezuma where he attended school. He was married on July 20, 1956, to Mary Joan Odom in Lawrenceville, Ill., and the couple resided in Grinnell. Following the death of his first wife, he was married on May 29, 1981, in Grinnell to Virginia Irwin. They continued to live in Grinnell where he was employed by the City of Grinnell in its

maintenance department, then later as a painter for Grinnell College in its Building and Grounds Department.

He enjoyed attending flea markets and collecting things, especially old tools, baseball cards, coins and stamps. He also enjoyed wood crafts, building model trucks, working in his yard and garden, and listening to country music.

He is survived by his wife Virginia of Grinnell; two children, Jeffrey A. Moore and Billie Jo Anderson, both of Cedar Rapids; two stepsons, Roger McDowell of Ely, Iowa, and Rodney McDowell of Peoria, Ariz.; one sister, Erma Curry of Grinnell; one brother, John Moore of Malcom, four grand-children; three step grandchildren; six great grandchildren and four step great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and his first wife.

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