

Donald E. Smith, 75

Donald E. Smith, 75, of rural Bloomfield and formerly of Montezuma, died Monday, June 11, 2007, at the University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics in Iowa City.

His funeral was held Thursday, June 14, at the Wagler Funeral Home, Bloomfield, with the Rev. Jerry Coughron officiating. Burial with graveside military rites by Reed-Whisler Post No. 78 of the American Legion was held at the Drakesville Cemetery in Drakesville.

Don was born Jan. 16, 1932, at Baylis, Ill. to Glen and Ann McLaughlina Smith. He married Jerry Lee Brown on March 2, 1957, at Fairfield. She preceded him in death on Oct. 14, 1998. He married Gloria Kelly on Oct. 27, 2000, at Bloomfield. He served in the United States Navy during the Korean War. A resident of Davis County since 1966, he was a farmer and worked at Citizens Mutual Telephone Company in Bloomfield for 17 years. He was affiliated with the Cantril Christian Church and the

Word of Life Fellowship in Bloomfield. He was a member of Reed-Whisler Post No. 78 American Legion, Bloomfield.

Don is survived by his wife; a son, Dan Smith of Drakesville; two daughters, Debbie (Rocky) McSparen and Denise (Mike) Payne, both of Bloomfield; eight grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; a brother-in-law, Buster Brown of Bloomfield; and his stepfather, Garold Lidtka, of Montezuma; two stepdaughters, Connie (David) Heiser of Pulaski and Robin (Calvin) Bartholomew of Milton; two stepsons, Dick (Sandy) Kelly of Cantril and David (Dianne) Kelly of Sigourney; four step grandchildren and a step great-grandson.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Ann Lidtka of Montezuma; his first wife, Jerry, and a sister, Emily Longman.

A memorial has been established. Online condolences may be directed to www.Waglerfuneralhome.com.

MR 6/20/2007