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Raymond F. Cox, 66, of No. 32 Willow Court, Grinnell, formerly of Long Grove, died Monday, April 6, at Mercy Hospital in Davenport.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. John Epperson of the Grinnell Christian Church officiating. Organist will be Kathleen Heffner, and pallbearers will be Jerry Allen, Kenneth Clifton, Edward Cox, Larry Cox, Bill Johnson and Marvin Saunders.

Masonic rites will be conducted by Madison Tomfeld and members of Hermon Masonic Lodge of Grinnell. Graveside rites will be conducted by the Grinnell Veterans Ceremonial Unit, with burial in Hazelwood Cemetery.

The son of Hiram and Emily Atkins Cox, he was born on April 2, 1921, in Montezuma. He attended Grinnell schools. In the early 1940s he worked as a trucker for Clark Brink in Grinnell.

On Nov. 30, 1943, he was married to Edna McElwee Rogers in Lancaster, Mo., and the couple lived in Grinnell. During World War II he served with the U.S. Army Military Police in Italy and North Africa.

Following the war, Mr. Cox returned to Grinnell and was employed by Iowa Southern Utilities. He later worked as an electrical contractor throughout the U.S. He retired in 1983 and moved to Long Grove.

He was a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers; Camanche Lodge No., 60, FF and AM; Kaaba Shrine in Davenport; and Talman-Lewis Post No. 9664, VFW.

He is survived by his wife, Edna; one stepson, Wendell Rogers of Lakewood. Colo.; three step-grandchildren; and one brother, Edward Cox of Ocie, Mo. He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Homer; and three sisters, Jeanette Smith, Vera Saunders and Thelma McFall.

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