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Verlis Cunningham,65

Verlis "Gene" G. Cunningham, 65, of Montezuma, died Wednesday, August 20, 1997, of complications of diabetes and a heart attack.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 23, at Hamilton's Funeral Home near Highland Memorial Gardens. Burial was in Highland Memorial Gardens.

Verlis was born in Des Moines and had lived in Waukee before coming to Montezuma in 1973. He retired as a machine operator for Fawn Engineering in 1991.

He was a member of Local 270-United Auto Workers' Union and also served in the U.S. National Guard.

He is survived by his wife, Wilma Cunningham of Montezuma; two sons: Perry and Rick Cunningham, both of Des Moines; a daughter, Pam McDonnell of Des Moines; a brother, Carl Cunningham of Des Moines; a sister, Cleo Foster of Des Moines; nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the donor's choice of organizations.