

LeRoy Foster

LeRoy "Sonny" Foster, 65, of Kellogg died Sunday, April 28, at his home.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Robert Hinshaw, pastor of the Ashton Chapel, officiating. Organist was Ann Buchmeier, and pallbearers were Merlin Baxter, Don Benson, Ray Delk, Daryle Parsons, Henry Powell and Robert Townsend.

Graveside military rites were conducted by members of Newton VFW Post No. 1655, with burial in Our Silent City Cemetery, Kellogg.

Memorials may be made to the Kellogg Ambulance Service.

The son of LeRoy and Bessie Thompson Foster, he was born Sept. 5, 1925, in Eckton, Minn. The family came to the Grinnell area where he attended school. He served with the U.S. Navy during World War II.

Following his discharge, he worked on highway construction. He was married to Maggie Stepp July 3, 1950, in Montezuma, and the couple lived in Kellogg where he was employed by Midwest Metal Stamping Co. He then worked for 37 years as a machinist at the Maytag Co. in Newton, retiring in 1987.

Mr. Foster was a member of the Kellogg American Legion Post, the Kellogg Volunteer Fire Department and the United Auto Workers.

He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Cynthia Brown of Rock Springs, Wyo., and Mollie Sumner of Kellogg; three stepdaughters, Faye Hutchinson of Marshalltown, Sue Streeter of Ames and Judi Doane of Flagstaff, Ariz.; four grandchildren; 10 step-grandchildren; one step-great-grandchild; and a sister, Nancy Foster of Rosemeade, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his parents and five sisters, Hazel Foster, Anna Marie McCormack, Barbara Innis, Marian Johnson and Frances Foster.