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## Marion Gibson

Marion "Cotton" Gibson, 83, of Grinnell, formerly of Kellogg, died Wednesday, Dec. 20, at the Iowa Veterans Home in Knoxville.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Brian Carter, pastor of the Montezuma Methodist Church, officiating. Organist was Margaret Wheeler.

Pallbearers were Earl Davis, Richard Ervin, Larry Hoch, Robby and Jamie Gibson, and Jim and Randy Jurgensen. Honorary bearers were Kenny Adams, Arthur Ervin, Floyd Innis, Wayne Simerman and

Floyd Sharp. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

The son of Blain and Roda Sloan Gibson, he was born March 25, 1912, in Kellogg. He was a 1931 graduate of Kellogg High School. He served with the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He was married to Florence Beason in December 1933; the couple lived in Kellogg and Des Moines before moving to Grinnell in 1946. Mr. Gibson worked at Maytag for many years and later at the Donaldson Co. in Grinnell. He then worked for Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance, retiring in 1974.

He was a member of the Grinnell American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Eagles and I.O.O.F. lodges and the Forty and Eight in Newton.

Surviving are his long-time companion, Edna Foran of Malcom; three children, Shirley Jurgensen, Vernon "Chip" Gibson and Gary Gibson, all of Grinnell; five brothers, Bob, Chuck, Ed Jr. and Roger; 12 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; one sister, Amanda Shelton; and one grandson.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Marion Gibson Memorial Fund.