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David E. Hudson, 73

<u>David E. Hudson, 73</u>, of New Sharon, died Thursday, Feb. 14, at the Montezuma Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

A funeral was Saturday, Feb. 16, at New Sharon United Methodist Church, with Rev. Kevin Glesener officiating. Interment followed at Friends Cemetery, New Sharon. Harden Funeral Home handled arrangements. Memorials are to New Sharon United Methodist Church and New Sharon Area Historical Society.

David was born March 4, 1928, in Oskaloosa, the son of William B. and Bertha O. (Osmond) Hudson. He was raised and educated in the Forest Home area and was a 1946 graduate of Montezuma High School. David joined the U.S. Navy in 1945 and served with an LST Transport Unit in the Far East. He then returned to Forest Home.

On June 13, 1954, he married Alice J. Strom at United Methodist Church of Montezuma. They settled in the Darien, Ill., area where David began work for the Paraplegics Manufacturing Company (PAMCO). He retired in 1986 as the company's president after 35 years of service. He and his wife moved to New Sharon in July 1987.

David delivered Meals on Wheels for many years and was active in the New Sharon Historical Museum. An avid fisherman, he also enjoyed traveling, houseboating, playing cards, doing crossword puzzles and reading.

He is survived by his wife Alice Hudson of New Sharon and a brother, William B. Hudson of Rolla, Mo.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Wilma G. Duven and Barbara Gorsuch.