

Robert L. Johnson, 78

Robert Lee Johnson, 78, Montezuma, Iowa, died Thursday, June 20, 1996 at Mercy Hospital Medical Center, Des Moines of a massive stroke.

Funeral services were held June 23 at Wallace-Pence Funeral Home with Rev. H. Eugene Cedarholm, retired Lutheran minister, officiating. Burial was in Our Silent City Cemetery in Kellogg, Iowa.

Robert, the son of Karl Gustav and Kathryn Elizabeth Lauber Johnson, was born November 16, 1917 in Grinnell. He was a graduate of Newburg High School. He married Sonja Leeper Eilander on May 17, 1981 at the Little Brown Church at Nashua, Iowa. He was a resident of Newton until 1981, then lived in Poweshiek County at Montezuma. He was employed at the Maytag Company in tool service retiring in August 1981. He was a fifty-year member of American Legion Post

No. 111; 40-8 member; and member of the First Lutheran Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Helen Deppe Johnson; and two brothers, Walter and Karl.

Robert is survived by his wife, Sonja; stepsons: John (Holly) Eilander, Newton; Mark Eilander, Montezuma; Matthew Eilander, Newton; stepdaughters: Lesa (Mrs. Kenneth) Smith, Montezuma; Lori Gass, Montezuma; Tammy (Mrs. John) Ward, Montezuma; and Anna Eilander, Des Moines; brothers: LeeRoy Johnson, Waverly; Dean Johnson, Waterloo; Gust Johnson, Waterloo; Kenneth Johnson, Janesville; and Richard Johnson, Traer; and sisters: Ruth Trost, Hudson; and Margaret Walker, Cucamonga, Calif.

Memorials may be given in Robert's name.

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