

Mr. McGaffey services held

H-12 February 21, 1980
John A. McGaffey, 54, of Rte. 1, Riverside, died Saturday morning at University Hospitals in Iowa City following an extended illness.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Faith Baptist Church in Washington, with burial at Wassonville Cemetery near Wellman. A memorial fund has been established at Faith Baptist Church or East Iowa Bible Camp.

The son of David and Lucy Kimmel McGaffey, he was born Sept. 9, 1925, at Washington. He was married to Francis Sojka on Jan. 21, 1947, at Washington. He served in the Navy during World War II as an instructor. He was assistant police chief at Washington before moving to Coralville, where he served as police chief for nine years. He later worked for the state of

Iowa as a parole officer for nine years, then served as police chief at Centerville for three years. He began farming two years ago near Washington.

Mr. McGaffey was a member of the Faith Baptist Church and was commander of the Awana Club at the church.

Survivors include his wife; eight sons, James of Cedar Rapids, Lt. Joseph of Biloxi, Miss., Robert of Friedley, Minn., Thomas of Cedar Rapids, Douglass of Riverside, and Donald, Mark and Terry, all at home; five daughters, Mrs. Valorie Burnham of Grinnell, Deanna McGaffey of Grinnell, and Janelle, Johnna and Karen McGaffey, all at home; his mother, Lucy McGaffey of Fairfield; a brother, Gerald McGaffey of Washington; and a sister, Mrs. Frank Hudson of Fairfield.