Raymond Tesser

Raymond M. Tesser, 84, of 1203 Prince St., Grinnell, died of congestive heart failure Friday, May 17, at University Hospitals in Iowa

City.

A graveside service was held at Thursday at Hazelwood Cemetery, with the Rev. Del Dawes, pastor of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, officiating. Military rites were conducted by members of the Grinnell Veterans Ceremonial Unit. Casket bearers were Dale Bigbee, Paul Hunter, Rob Smith and Michael Heck.

He was the son of James and Marie Bouril Tesser and was born April 28, 1918, in Grinnell. He was a 1937 graduate of Grinnell High School.

During World War II, he served with the U.S. Army in New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. After the war he returned to Grinnell and worked for many years on the assembly line at the Maytag Company in Newton.

He was a member of United Auto Workers Local 997 in Newton, the Isaac Walton League and the American Legion.

There are no immediate survivors.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Newton Animal Rescue League.