

Max E. Townsend

Max E. Townsend, 59, of 410 Washington Ave., Grinnell, died Friday, Sept. 30, at University Hospitals in Iowa City of complications following surgery.

Funeral services were conducted Oct. 4 at Wallace-Pence Funeral Home in Newton, with Capt. LeRoy Miles of the Salvation Army, Newton, officiating. Burial was in Newton Union Cemetery.

The son of Harry and Veva Pat-terson Townsend, he was born Aug. 5, 1935, in Marshall County. He was a 1955 graduate of Newton High School.

He was married to Helen L. Samuels Nov. 26, 1955, in Colfax. Mr. Townsend, a farmer, retired in 1993. He was a member of the First Christian Church in Newton and a past member of the Iowa National Guard.

Surviving are his wife; two sons, Mark of Mt. Pleasant and Marty of Grinnell; two daughters, Christy Fortner of Lynnville and Caryn Winchell of Grinnell; five grandchildren; three brothers, Kenneth of Newton, Carroll of Coralville and Myron "Butch" of Newton; and two sisters, Colleen Brown of Kansas and Ruthie Follen of Michigan.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Michael; one daughter, Catherine; and two brothers, Wayne and Donald.

A memorial in his name has been established.