

## George E. Webber

George E. Webber, 89, of Deep River, Iowa, died Tuesday March 14, 2000, in the Montezuma Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at Montezuma.

The funeral service was held March 17, at United Church in Deep River with Pastor Boyd Sparks officiating. The hymns were "Precious Lord Take My Hand" and "Just a Closer Walk." Casket Bearers were Jim Wilcox, Ed Zimmerman, Chuck Dunham, Gary Armstrong, David Zimmerman and Ernie Wilcox. Burial was in Golden Rod Cemetery in Deep River.

He was born June 4, 1910 at Derby Line, Vermont, the son of Harry L. and Betsey A. Webber. He came to Iowa as a small boy and was raised by foster parents, Joe and Ruth Steele, who loved him as their own son. George graduated from Montezuma High School in 1930, and attended William Penn College at Oskaloosa. On July 21, 1938, he was united in marriage with Helen L. Armstrong at Oskaloosa. They lived in Omaha, Nebraska where George worked

at the Glenn L. Martin Bomber Plant during World War II. They moved to Deep River in 1947. He served on the Deep River City Council and was a member of the United Church of Deep River. George enjoyed being an antique dealer at the Old Threshers Reunion in Mt. Pleasant for many years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Helen, on January 11, 1992; and a daughter-in-law, Connie Webber.

George is survived by two sons and their wives, Larry and Kathy of Deep River and Jerry and Cheryl of Cleburne, Texas; five grandchildren, Janet Van Waardhuizen, Tiffany Howard, Duane "Duc" Webber, Anita Claeys and Amy Baetsle; eight great grandchildren, Zachary Van Waardhuizen, Kegan, Jordan and Olivia Howard, Brittany and Penton Webber, and Trent and Kaela Claeys; several nieces and nephews; a special friend Barbara Hudson; and also family members in Vermont and New Hampshire.

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