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Leo L. Baker

Aug. 6, 1911, to Feb. 9, 2004

Leo L. Baker, 92, formerly of Nevada, died Monday, Feb. 9, at the Iowa Veterans Home in Marshalltown where he has been a resident the past seven years.

He was born Aug. 6, 1911, in Nevada to Oscar and Lillie (Bryant) Baker. He graduated from Nevada High School and from AIB in Des Moines. He was a newspaper printer and had worked for the "Nevada Representative," the "Nevada Journal," "Des Moines Register" and the "El Paso Times." He retired in Texas in 1976. He was a veteran having served with the Army Engineers in New Guinea during WWII. He was a member of Memorial Lutheran Church in Nevada, the American Legion, William F. Ball Post #48 of Nevada, the Disabled Veterans, El Paso, Texas, and the Communications Workers of America/Printing Union.

Survivors include a sister, Lucille Bowers, of Galveston, Texas; a niece, Marilyn Underwood of Montgomery, Texas; and three nephews, Ron Fincham of Nevada, Ralph Bowers of Galveston, Texas, and Martin Bowers of Dallas, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Vera Fincham.

Graveside services were held Friday, Feb. 13, at the Nevada Municipal Cemetery with Pastor David Burling officiating. The American Legion William F. Ball Post #48 of Nevada gave Military Honors. The Bacon Funeral Home in Nevada handled arrangements.

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