

## John Frisk, former Ankeny fire chief, dies



John "Marvin" Frisk, 81, of the 600 block of Southwest Southlawn Circle, Ankeny, died of a heart ailment Monday at Iowa Lutheran Hospital. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Salem United Church of

Christ in Alleman, of which he was a member. Burial will be at Ankeny Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Ankeny.

Mr. Frisk was born in Kelley and had lived in Madrid as a youth. He had lived in Elkhart and Des Moines before moving to Ankeny 47 years ago. He was a retired fire chief with the Ankeny Fire Department and an Army veteran of World War II. He was a member of the Iowa Fireman's Association, Polk County Fire Chiefs Association, State of Iowa Fire Chiefs Association and Retired Fire Chiefs of Iowa Association. He was a past president of Ankeny Lions Club, a 55-year member and past commander, adjutant, sergeant of arms, color guard and correspondent of Albaugh-McGovern American Legion Post 42. He was a member of his church's board, Parish Relations Committee and pastor search committee. He was awarded a French diploma in October for helping to liberate France during World War II and had received an Outstanding Community Service Award in 1991 from former Gov. Terry Branstad.

He is survived by his wife, Mae Deane Frisk; two sons, Rick of Des Moines and Dennis of Ankeny; two brothers, Homer of Stanhope and Dale of Ankeny; two sisters, Bette Wheeler of Ankeny and Martha Stevenson of Mission Viejo, Calif.; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at Ankeny Funeral Home in Ankeny. Memorial contributions may be made to his church, the Ankeny Fire Department or Albaugh McGovern American Legion Post 42.