

February 4, 1999

George C. Rowbotham, 74

George C. Rowbotham, 74, Groton died Friday, Jan. 29, 1999, at Avera St. Luke's Hospital, Aberdeen.

His funeral was Tuesday, Feb. 2, 1999 at Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton, with the Rev. David Janes officiating. Burial was in the Groton Union Cemetery, with Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton, in charge of arrangements. Graveside military rites were performed by the Groton American Legion Post No. 39.

George C. Rowbotham was born December 3, 1924 to Charles and Katherine (Ochs) Rowbotham, Huron. He moved with his family to Aberdeen, when he was six years old and graduated from Aberdeen Central High School in 1943. He served in the U.S. Army Air Force from 1947 to 1949 during World War II. He then lived in Aberdeen and worked as a gardener and did odd jobs. He moved to Groton when his health failed in 1981, and lived with Duane Kurtz until his death.

He was a member of the Catholic church, the Groton American Legion Post No. 39, and a lifetime member of the Disabled American Veterans.

He is survived by one sister, Ruth Steenson, Kalispell, Mont. Casketbearers were Duane Kurtz, Leonard Grajczyk, Charles Robinson, Loel Schott, Jack McKiver and Larry Arneson.