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ALBION - Quentin Zacho Mortensen, 80, of Albion, died Sunday, Dec. 8, 2002, at Boone County Health Center in Albion.

Services are 11 a.m. Thursday at the United Church of Christ in Albion with the Rev. Mary Avidano officiating. Burial will be at Rose Hill Cemetery in Albion with Military Rites conducted by American Legion Post #162 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #736 of Albion.

Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Levander Funeral Home in Albion.

Mr. Mortensen was born on Jan. 7, 1922, at Sioux City, Iowa, to Andreas Christian Zacho and Marie (Lund) Mortensen. He attended schools in the Sioux City Public School system until Jan., 1939, when the family moved to Albion. He continued his secondary education in Albion and graduated with the class of 1940. Following World War II, he attended the University of Nebraska in Lincoln for one year.

He was drafted into the Army on Oct. 20, 1942, and was with F Company, 383rd Regiment of the 96th Infantry Division. The division saw action in the campaigns of Leyte, Philippines and Okinawa, being in the first assault waves of both landings. He attained the rank of corporal. He was honorably discharged on Dec. 30, 1965.

He married Therese Malda on Nov. 9, 1955, at Casablanca, Morocco. Following his occupations overseas, they resided in Albion. He joined the Albion National Bank in Sept., 1953, and remained in their employ until his retirement as assistant vice president in January, 1985. In March, 1967, the bank opened an insurance agency and he worked there until his retirement.

He enjoyed working with young people and was a Little League baseball coach for many years followed by 12 years as scoutmaster of Troop 155 in Albion. As a member of the Independent Insurance Agents of

Nebraska, he sponsored the local golf tournament at the Albion Country Club for many years. He later established the Girl Golfer of the Year award at Albion High School. For his work with youth he was the recipient of many awards, including the Silver Beaver from Mid-Ameria Boy Scout Council. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #736 of Albion, the Boy Scouts of America, Kiwanis, Albion Jaycees and the Albion Chamber of Commerce. He served as the treasurer for the march of Dimes and Kiwanis. He served on the Council Committee and was Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and served on the Veterans Board. He was also a charter member and treasurer of the Albion Country Club.

He attended the United Church of Christ in Albion.

Survivors include his wife of Albion; three sons, Joe (Denise) Mortensen of Leonard Town, Md., John Mortensen of Prairie Village, Kan., and Jeff (Kim) Mortensen of Sanford, Fla., and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his step mother Emily Jensen Mortensen and one brother, Kermit Mortensen.

Memorials may be directed to the family for a scholarship fund.