He moved to Grinnell in the early 1970s as a consultant in the Iowa Department of Education. He was a member of the United Methodist Church, was past master of Hermon Masonic Lodge and past worthy patron of the Order of the Eastern Star. He also was past commander and high priest of the Royal Arch of York Rite, was an area coordinator of the ZaGaZig Shrine and was secretary/treasurer emeritus of the ZaGaZig Shrine Trike Unit.

On March 30, 1992, he was married to Betty J. Davis in Grinnell. The couple moved to Des Moines following their marriage. He retired in December, 2000. He enjoyed horse shows, golf, travel, playing cards and participating in Shrine parades.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Davis-Gould of Des Moines; his father

James J. Gould, 69, of Des Moines, formerly of Grinnell, died Thursday, Jan. 23, 2003, at his home in Des Moines.

A funeral service was held Monday, Jan. 27, 2003, at the Grinnell United Methodist Church with the Rev. Len Eberhart, pastor of the church, officiating. Music was by Kathleen Heffner, organist, and Madison Tomfield, harmonica. Honorary bearers were members of the ZaGaZig Shrine Trike Unit. Pete Adams, Dick Boylan, Bob Bullock, Tom Ellis, Dean Higgins, Jim Kinnan, Jeff McKern, John Oldam, Terry Smith, Dan Willson and Eric Willson. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery. A Masonic service was held Sunday evening at Smith Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to Shrine Hospitals.

He was born Nov. 8, 1933, in Harlan to Russell and Florence Holmquest Gould. He was raised in Harlan and assisted his father with the training and showing of horses. He graduated in 1952 from Harlan High School and attended Iowa State University in Ames and Simpson College in Indianola before receiving the bachelor of arts degree in education from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls. He also received the master of arts degree in education from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls.