

Carroll W. 'Buzz' Dean



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Carroll W. "Buzz" Dean, 85, died on Thursday, May 19, 2011, at his home in Grinnell.

As per his wishes, cremation was accorded and a private service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the Iowa Veterans Home, 1301 Summit Street, Marshalltown, Iowa 50158 or to the Carroll W. "Buzz" Dean Memorial Fund, PO BOX 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family on the Smith Funeral Home website at www.smithfh.com.

Carroll was born on July 8, 1925, in Lynnville to Phillip and Vivian Meredith Dean. He was raised and educated in Grinnell.

He honorably served in the United States Navy during World War II as a Seaman 2nd Class. He was the recipient of the honorable Purple Heart award.

He was united in marriage to Phylis Locker on Jan. 26, 1961, in Iowa City. The couple lived in Grinnell, where he worked for the City of Grinnell Street Department from 1968 until his retirement in 1988.

Carroll was a member of the Grinnell American Legion. His enjoyments included going to the casino and feeding the ducks at Arbor Lake in Grinnell.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Phylis of Grinnell; his children, Susan of Des Moines, Eric of Grinnell, Meredith of Grinnell, and Garrett of Springfield, Mo.