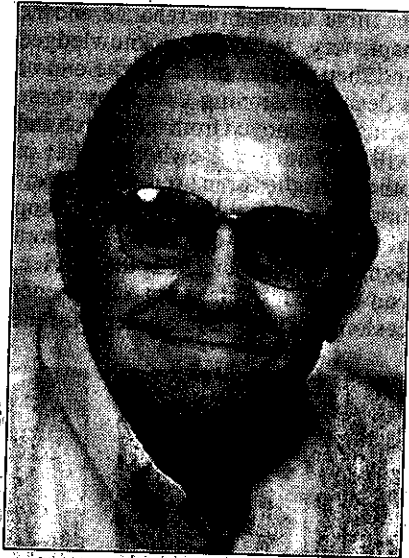


Harold M. Wells



Harold M. Wells, Sr., 84, of Newton and formerly of Sully, died Thursday, Dec. 19, 2011, at Skiff Medical Center in Newton.

A service was held Dec. 22 at Sully Community Church. The family greeted friends at the church before a late-morning service; following a lunch at the church, burial at Sully Cemetery. Memorials to Skiff Hospice may be left at the funeral home. Wallace Family Funeral Home & Crematory in Newton is handling the arrangements.

He was born in What Cheer on June 4, 1927, to Glen and Blancher McSpadden Dawson, and raised by Bert and Verna Coop Wells. He grew up in Grinnell, graduating from Grinnell High School and later from Des Moines Community College.

He married twice, first to Alice Cottrell in 1947 and later to Margaret E. Shipman on July 1, 1963. He spent most of his adult life in the Sully area, working as a machinist for many companies in and around Sully; he and Margaret moved to Newton last year. He enjoyed flying airplanes and fishing.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Harold Wells, Jr., of Janesville and Tim Wells of Newton; one daughter, Paulette Korn of Dallas, Ga.; a brother, Arthur Wells of Grinnell; and many grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his birth parents and his parents; two sons, Terry and David Wells; a daughter, Carlotta Kling; a stepson, Ron Hynick; four sisters, Helen Bryan, Laverta Dawson Claypool, Agnes Dawson Rodene and Early Dawn Dawson Van Patten; a brother, Dorman Dawson; and a grandson, Chad Wells.

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