Herman Wax, 87, of Grinnell, died Sunday, June 3, 2012 at the Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Memorial services were held Thursday, June 7, at the First Presbyterian Church in Grinnell. The private family burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Herman was born on Feb. 20, 1925, near Vinton, to Joseph and Maude Page Wax. He attended and graduated school there. He attended Iowa State University for one year. He served in the Navy from 1944-1945.


Herman enjoyed baseball, bowling and chatting, square dancing with Shirley, and the Cubs, Miami Dolphins and the Cyclones.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley of Grinnell; daughter, Gail Moses of Mico, Texas; sons, James Wax of Grinnell, Wayne Wax of Joliet, Ill., and John Wax of Marshalltown; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and one brother, Clifford Wax of Mason City.

Herman was preceded in death by his parents; son, Stephen Wax; daughter, Sue Ellen Wax; and two sisters, Nina Merchant and Delia Wax.