Edward B. Sinclair, 86

Edward B. Sinclair, 86, of Grinnell, died on Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2008, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

His family will celebrate his life Saturday, Sept. 27, at 10 a.m. at Smith Funeral Home. Interment with military honors will take place at Hazelwood Cemetery. Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home from 12 noon to 5 p.m. Friday. His family will be present at the funeral home one hour prior to the service. Memorials may be made to Grinnell Regional Hospice or to PALS, and sent in care of Smith Funeral Home.

Edward B. Sinclair was born on Oct. 7, 1921, in Detroit, Mich., to Edward and Genevieve Carroll Sinclair. He was raised in Detroit and graduated from high school there.

During World War II, he served with the U.S. Army Air Corp in the Rhineland and various parts of Europe. After the war, he returned to Detroit and worked for Ford Motor Company. In 1958, he moved to California and worked for the Turf-Vac Company. From 1968 to 1994, he was employed as an Engineer for the McDonald-Douglas Corporation in Long Beach, Calif. Following his retirement, he lived in Philo, Ohio, and later in Marengo. He had moved to Grinnell in August of 2008.

He was married to Beth Kumnier on Sept. 7, 1990 in San Bernardino, Calif.

Ed enjoyed golfing, fishing, horse racing, panning for gold and he was an avid California Angel and Laker fan.

Survivors include his wife, Beth Kumnier of Grinnell; three sons, Ed Sinclair of Portland, Ore., Carl Sinclair of Cypress, Calif., and Ted Sinclair of Phoenix, Ariz.; one daughter, Rae Anne Schneider of Vancouver, Wash.; two step sons, Steve Acheson of Fullerton, Calif., and Mike Acheson of Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.; two step daughters, Joyce Davis of Grinnell, and Angela Hurst of Brooklyn; several grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Beverly; and one brother, William Sinclair.