Gerald A. Arment

Gerald A. Arment, 86, of Grinnell, died Sunday, Dec. 22, 2013, at the Mayflower Health Care Center. A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell. Interment will be at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Friends may call at the funeral home beginning at 2 p.m. on Friday. Memorials may be directed to Grinnell Regional Hospice.

Gerald was born on Nov. 18, 1927, in Newburg, Iowa, to Basil and Wilma Esther Gillespie Arment. The family moved to Grinnell, where he attended school and later graduated with the Class of 1946 from Kellogg High School.

On Feb. 2, 1946, he married Anna Rinehart in Unionville, Mo. Shortly after their marriage the couple moved to Red Rock, Iowa, where they helped her parents in their small country store, Red Rock Trading Post. In 1957, the family moved to Grinnell and he worked for Arment Plumbing and Heating Company. He later worked for 28 years in the facilities management department of Grinnell College. He retired in 1987.

Gerald enjoyed spending winters in Texas and camping throughout the United States. He was an avid fisherman and loved to spend time with his family.

Survivors include his children, Dennis Arment of Marshalltown, Linda Hunter of Copley, Ohio, and Doris Arment of Grinnell; five grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Charlotte Bailey of Grinnell.

He was preceded in death by his wife; his parents; one brother; Duane Arment; and one sister, Lucy B. Lawson.