Dr. Robert W. Baumann DDS, 80

Dr. Robert William Baumann DDS, 80, of Grinnell, joined his heavenly father Friday June 13, 2014, at the Mayflower Community Health Care Center in Grinnell.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, June 21, at the First Presbyterian Church, 1025 Fifth Ave., in Grinnell. A graveside service will follow at 4 p.m at Oakdale Cemetery in Wilton.

The family will greet friends from 4 to 7 p.m., Friday, June 20, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Robert W. Baumann Memorial Fund, Greater Poweshiek Community Foundation, mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home, P.O. Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at www.smithfh.com.

Robert "Bob" Baumann was born July 11, 1933, to Adeline and Alvin Baumann. He graduated from Durant High School. He married the love of his life, Miriam Norton, on June 13, 1954. They celebrated 60 years of marriage. He graduated from the University of Iowa College of Dentistry in 1957. Following graduation, he served as an officer in the United States Public Health Service, serving in Washington D.C., Seattle, Wash., and Cleveland, Ohio.

He began his private practice in Grinnell in 1960, in association with Dr. Frank Molsberry. Later he was joined in practice by Dr. Robert Agnew. Dr. Edwin (Neil) Cochran joined this association several years later. He was very proud of his final associate: his son, Dr. Scott Baumann. He was blessed with a great and caring staff and retired after 50 years in practice.

Dr. Baumann was an active leader and participant in many endeavors and associations including: The First Presbyterian Church, Kiwanis, Boy Scouts of America, Model Railroad Club, the Fortnightly Club, and was a 50-year Mason. During his career he enjoyed advancing his own and others' education. He was a fellow of the Academy of General Dentistry and served as an adjunct clinical professor of the University of Iowa Dental College.

He is survived and lovingly remembered by his wife, Miriam; sons, Kent (Stephanie) Baumann, Scott (Delphina) Baumann, Craig (Ann) Baumann, and Mark Baumann; daughter, Julie; eleven grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and his brother William (Dianne) Baumann MD. He was preceded in death by his parents and two infant sons, James and Joel.

Our special thanks to J.R. Paulson MD, the physicians, nurses, and staff of Grinnell Regional Health Center, friends and staff of the Mayflower Community, and his excellent home caregivers. Thank you to Pastor Kirsten Klepfer, Chaplain Christine Tinker, and Pastor Len Eberhart for their spiritual support.