

Ralph Dean Miller

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Dean Miller, age 82, of Kellogg, died on Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2013, at his home.

A celebration of his life will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 23, 2014, at Brookside South, 214 - 4th Avenue West in Grinnell.

Memorials may be designated to the Kellogg Volunteer Fire Department, mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at www.smithfh.com.

Ralph Dean Miller was born on August 8, 1931, in Decatur County, Iowa, to Nancy Mae and Bert Miller. He was raised and graduated from Decatur County High School in Leon in 1949.

In 1949, he was united in marriage to Bernice Irene McCarty in Leon, Iowa. The couple moved to Grinnell shortly thereafter and they worked at the Morrison-Shults Glove Factory in Grinnell. In 1952, they moved to Kellogg, Iowa, and they worked at Midwest Manufacturing in Kellogg. After retirement, he took interest in birds, squirrels and his garden. Dean was an outdoorsman who loved to hunt and fish.

Dean is survived by his sister, Hazel (Walt) Leimer of Clive, Iowa; sister-in-law, Terry Miller; and a niece and six nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Bernice I. Miller; daughter, Linda Blackmer; son-in-law, Sid Blackmer; and his brothers, Homer Miller, Wayne Miller and Brice Jay.

