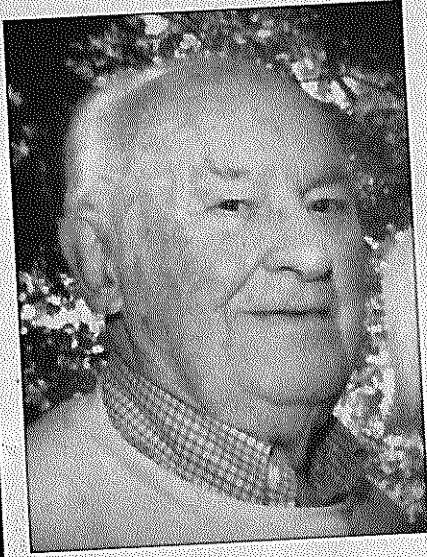


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Alfred J. May 4-27-2015



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He graduated from Brookhaven High School in 1939 and after serving in the Air Force attended DePauw University in Greencastle, IN. It was in his hometown of Brookhaven that he met the

love of his life, Mary Lou Hoffman, who was attending Whitworth College for Women, thus beginning their 71-year journey together.

He moved his family to Grinnell, IA, in 1959, where he enjoyed a rewarding 33-year career with General Telephone until his retirement in 1982 as GTE Midwest Marketing Director. His innovative approach to the business brought national recognition and numerous awards of excellence. He was an active member of Lions Club, United Methodist Church and Delta Chi Fraternity.

The hallmarks of A.J.'s legacy include a commitment to hard work, integrity, family and friends. He enjoyed the outdoors - fishing, wood-working, camping and golfing. He loved spending time with Mary Lou and their four children: Larry (Betsy), Susan, Scott, and Betsy (Julio); grandchildren Chad (Sue), Amy (Ryan), Jesse, Allison (Jeremy), Israel, Maya, and Quena; and great-grandchildren Keegan, Kiersten, Haley, Cole, Caleb, Olivia, and Sophia.

A.J. was preceded in death by his infant son Richard Alfred (1945), his parents Robert and Nellie, and his beloved wife, Mary Lou (2014). He was the fifth of nine siblings, survived by his sister, Dorothy.

A memorial gathering will be held on Saturday, May 2nd, at 2:00 p.m. at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell. Condolences and memorial contributions may be directed to the A.J. May Memorial Fund in care of Smith Funeral Home, 1103 Broad St., P.O. Box 368, Grinnell, IA 50112 or [www.smithfh.com](http://www.smithfh.com).

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A.J. May 4-23-2015  
A.J. May, 94, of Grinnell, died Wednesday, April 22, 2015, at home surrounded by his family. Services are pending with Smith Funeral Home.

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