

Wilbur A. Crandon



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Wilbur A. Crandon, 86, of Gilman died March 10, 2007, at Westbrook Nursing Home in Gladbrook with his family by his side.

Funeral services for Wilbur Crandon will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 13, at the Gilman Community United Church of Christ with the Rev. David Raymond officiating. Organist will be Ron Rainey. Pallbearers will include Mike Burchland, Chad Goecke, Wes Paul, Steve Snider, Jason Thomas and Denny Weaver. Honorary bearers will include Tom Burchland, E.E. McInroy, Grand Peterson and Robert Stewart. Burial will be in Prairie View Cemetery in Gilman.

A Masonic service was scheduled for 7 p.m. today (Monday) at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell.

Visitation was scheduled from noon to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home; the family will be present from 6 to 8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Gilman Community United Church of Christ or Westbrook Acres Nursing Home.

He was born Jan. 17, 1921, in Gilman, the son of Arthur B. and Nettie Shayer Crandon. He was a 1939 graduate of Gilman High School and attended Iowa State University. On July 11, 1942, he married Bernie Medhus in Gilman. The couple farmed in the Gilman area.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, having served during World War II on the U.S.S. Golden City in the Pacific Theater.

He enjoyed farming, fishing, traveling and woodworking. He was a devoted father and grandfather. He was an active member of the Cyrus Lodge No. 338 AF and AM, Signet Chapter No. 38 RAM, King Solomon Council No. 20 R and SM, St. Aldermar Commandery No. 30 KT Post, and Grand Representative to Kentucky in Iowa. He was a lifelong member of the Gilman Community United Church of Christ, where he served on various committees and in several offices. He was also active in several Marshall County and community committees.

He is survived by his wife; his two children, Virginia Pall and Art Crandon, both of Gilman; a sister, Bertha Doran of Beaver; a brother, Neven Crandon of Gilman; three grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and a granddaughter.