

Melvin Adams

Melvin Adams, 84, of Lincoln, Neb., formerly of Grinnell, died of cancer, Tuesday, June 27, at Clark Jeary Home in Lincoln.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Bruce Feuerbach, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Organist will be Nancy Sears, and casket bearers will be Chuck Ackerman; Clayton, Kenneth and Virgil Adams; Richard Corrick; and Cloyd Thompson. Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home beginning at noon Friday, and the family will be present from 6 to 8 p.m., Thursday.

He was born Aug. 28, 1915, in Malcom to Charles and Lela Utley Adams. He was raised in Grinnell and attended public school here. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Army in the South Pacific.

He was married to Grace L. Owens July 6, 1941, in Lancaster, Mo. They lived in Grinnell where he owned and operated the Thompson and Adams Construction Co. He retired in 1980.

Following the death of his wife in 1993, Mr. Adams moved to Lincoln to be near his son.

He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church and a 50-year member of the American Legion Post here.

Surviving are his son, Dennis of Lincoln; two sisters, Lucille Ackerman of Council Bluffs and Maxine Thompson of Gilman; and four brothers, Clayton of Ashville, N.C., Kenneth of Newburg, Raymond of Anaheim, Calif., and Virgil of Kansas City, Mo.; and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife; one son, Stephen C.; and his parents.

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