

William Adkins

William C. Adkins, 69, of 3129 Abbott Ave., Gilman, died Wednesday, Jan. 6, at Friendship Manor in Grinnell.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at the Estel-Perrin-Avey Funeral Home, with the Rev. Neil R. Montz officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Memorial Gardens, with flag-folding ceremonies conducted by the Harry C. Harter Post 39 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Memorial contributions in Mr. Adkins' name may be directed to the Gilman United Methodist Church.

The son of James T. and Clara J. Ralls Adkins, he was born Feb. 12, 1923, in Marshall County. He was a 1940 graduate of Dunbar High School.

Mr. Adkins served with the 37th Chemical Company of the U.S. Army during World War II and served in the Philippines.

He was married to Frances Haire Nov. 3, 1946, in Altoona. The couple had lived in the Gilman area for the past 36 years.

Mr. Adkins was employed at Dunham-Bush, Inc., in the foundry for 30 years, retiring in 1988. He was manager of the Dunham-Bush Employees Credit Union for nearly 30 years, retiring from that position in June 1992. He had also farmed for many years.

He was a member of the Gilman United Methodist Church where he served as treasurer, the VFW and American Legion, the Dunbar Alumni Association and, formerly, the Grinnell Twirlers Square Dance Club.

Surviving are his wife, Frances; three daughters, Joyce Arment of Montour, Kathleen Angove of Traverse City, Mich., and Patricia Krough of Montour; two sons, Daniel of Horatio, Ark., and Donald of Marshalltown; eight grandchildren; one great-grandson; four brothers, Max, Raymond and Tom, all of Marshalltown, and J.A. of Lake of the Ozarks, Mo.; and three sisters, Mary Elsberry and Joanna Wall, both of Marshalltown, and Jane Holthusen of Texas City, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Doris Cagwin and Gwen Wall.

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