

Edward J. Bru

Edward J. "Bud" Bru, 81, of 1193 380th St., Gilman, died of cancer Monday, Nov. 3, at his home.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell, with the Rev. William E. Reynolds officiating. Music was provided by St. Mary's Choir and organist Kyle Szary. Burial was in Prairie View Cemetery, Gilman, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

The son of Edward Marshall and Josephine Amalia Thompson Bru, he was born July 2, 1916, near Gilman. He was raised on the family farm and graduated from Gilman High School in 1935. He also attended William Penn College in Oskaloosa. During World War II, he served with the Army Air Corps and flew bombing missions over Europe. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

He was married to Beatrice Krezek June 18, 1942, in Tama. The couple lived in Tama where he owned and operated the International Harvester Co. and Bru Electrical Service. In 1962, the family moved to Phoenix, Ariz., and he worked as an electrical supervisor at Good Samaritan Hospital.

He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell, the Fraternal Order of Eagles in Tama, the V.F.W. and American Legion of Tama.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Barbara Dietrich of Tucson and Betty Bru-Clayton of Phoenix; one son, Bryan of Phoenix; 10 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and one brother, Lester of Montour.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers, Roy, Henry, Elmer and Vernon; and one sister, Alice Hardon.

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