

Eldred W. Cox

Eldred W. Cox, 65, of Rte. 4, Grinnell, died Tuesday, Jan. 4, at his home.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the Grinnell United Methodist Church, with burial in Hazelwood Cemetery. Visitation with the family will be from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday at the Smith Funeral Home.

Born in Montezuma, Mr. Cox lived the remainder of his life in Grinnell. A World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy, he was a retired purchasing agent for Poweshiek County.

He is survived by his mother, Gladys Cox of Grinnell; his wife, Betty of Grinnell; three daughters, Linda Jones of Marshalltown and Pat Rutherford and Julia Cox, both of Grinnell; two sons, Edward of Marshalltown and Bud of Grinnell; 11 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; two step-great-grandchildren; four brothers, Richard of Kellogg, Donald of Kansas City, Mo., Ronald of Gainesville, Mo., and Larry of Grinnell; and two sisters, Sharon James of Clarkridge, Ark., and Sherry Rooda of Searsboro.

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Funeral services were conducted Saturday at the Grinnell United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Lon L. Lewis officiating. Organist was Margaret Wheeler. Pallbearers were Larry Austin, Bill Collett, Harlan Hiner, Bill Johnson, Mark Norman and Pat White. Honorary bearers were Cal Barns, Carl Binegar, Sam Sampson, Harold Schmidt, Dean Thompson and employees of the Poweshiek County Road Department.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery, with rites conducted by the Grinnell American Legion Color Guard.

The son of Edward William and Gladys Moore Cox, he was born Aug. 14, 1928, in Montezuma. He later moved with his family to Grinnell where he received his education, graduating from Grinnell High School in 1946.

He enlisted in the U.S. Navy during World War II and served in the Pacific Theater.

He was married to Betty Lee Corbett Jan. 24, 1946, in Grinnell. Mr. Cox was employed as a line foreman for Iowa Southern Utilities for 33 years and was a purchasing agent for Poweshiek County for 12 years. He retired in August 1993. For 25 years he was in charge of displaying Christmas decorations for the city of Grinnell.

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