J. Kenneth Thompson

J. Kenneth Thompson, 76, of Vero Beach, Fla., formerly of Grinnell, died Wednesday, Jan. 31, at Indian River Memorial Hospital in Vero Beach.

The body was cremated, with Lowther Cremation Services of Vero Beach in charge of arrangements. Funeral services were conducted at St. Augustine of Canterbury Episcopal Church in Vero Beach, of which Mr. Thompson was a member.

He was born May 4, 1924, in Liverpool, England. He had lived in Vero Beach for the past 15 years, having moved there from Grinnell.

A graduate of Boston University with a bachelor's degree in education, Mr. Thompson served as principal of Grand Lakes School in Colorado. He was the former co-publisher of Brown-Thompson Newspapers of Cambridge Springs, Pa., and worked in public relations with the United Way of Erie, Pa., and General Telephone and Electronics in Grinnell.

He was a Navy aviator during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Anne; three sons, Nathan of Houston, Texas, Dana of Peoria, Ill., and Thaddeus of London, England; and three grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to his church.