

## Vernon Turner

Vernon Dee Turner, 81, of Grinnell died following a long illness Friday, Oct. 24, at the Iowa Veterans Home in Marshalltown.

A memorial service was conducted Tuesday at the First Baptist Church in Grinnell, with the Rev. Tim Stewart officiating. Burial was in Rock Creek Cemetery, with the Watts Funeral Home of Montezuma in charge of arrangements.

He was the son of John and Mary Green Turner and was born May 10, 1916, in Sheridan. He was raised and attended schools in Jasper and Poweshick counties.

On July 6, 1935, he was married to Maxine Goodwin in Grinnell. Mr. Turner was employed at Midwest Manufacturing of Kellogg and the Martin Bomber plant in Nebraska before serving in the U.S. Army.

After locating in Grinnell, he and his brother, Hilliard Sr., operated a radiator shop. In 1949 he and his wife moved to Montezuma where he operated Red's Radiator Shop. In 1959, the couple moved back to Grinnell. He retired from the radiator business in 1978.

Mr. Turner was a 50-year member of American Legion Post No. 53 in Grinnell.

He is survived by his wife; three children: Donald of West Branch, Janice Van Ervelde of Grinnell and Dennis of San Antonio, Texas; 10 grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren; two brothers, Perry of Shenandoah and Hilliard Sr. of Marshfield, Mo.; and one sister, Thelma Martenson of Mesa, Ariz.

Memorials may be made to Grinnell Regional Home Health Care or the Grinnell First Baptist Church.

# Vernon Dee Turner, 81

Vernon Dee Turner, 81, of Grinnell passed away Friday, October 24, 1997 at the Iowa Veterans Home, Marshalltown, following a long illness. He had been a resident there for more than two years.

A memorial service will be Tuesday, October 28 at First Baptist Church in Grinnell. Rev. Tim Stewart of First Baptist Church will officiate. Congregational hymn will be "The Old Rugged Cross" with pianist Denise Baustian.

Interment will be in Rock Creek Cemetery in Grinnell, Jasper Co.

Vernon was born in Sheridan on May 10, 1916, the son of John and Mary (Green) Turner. He was raised and attended schools in Jasper and Poweshiek Counties. On July 6, 1935, he was united in marriage with Maxine Goodwin in the parsonage of the First Baptist Church in Grinnell. To this union, three children were born. Donald Jerome, Janice Leone and Dennis Dale.

Vernon was employed at Midwest Manufacturing in Kellogg and the Martin Bomber plant in Nebraska before serving in the U.S. Army. The Army discharged him in 1945. After locating in Grinnell, he and his brother Hilliard, Sr. operated a radiator shop. In 1949, they moved to Montezuma where he operated Red's Radiator Shop.

In 1959, they moved back to Grinnell and he retired from the radiator business in 1978.

He was a 50-year member of the American Legion Post #53 in Grinnell.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Lexa Corryin and Lena Clement and one brother, Herman Turner.

Vernon is survived by his wife Maxine of Grinnell and their children, Donald of West Branch, Janice and husband Freddie Van Ervelde of Grinnell and Dennis and his wife Phyllis of San Antonio, Texas; 10 grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, two step-great-grandchildren, two brothers, Perry Turner of Shenandoah and Hilliard Turner, Sr. of Marshfield, Mo.; one sister, Thelma Martenson of Mesa, Ariz. and other relatives and many friends.

Memorials may be directed to Grinnell Regional Home Health Care or First Baptist Church in Grinnell.

Watts Funeral Home of Montezuma was in charge of arrangements.

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