

Bill 'Brickie' Innis ^{HR} 6-10-10



Bill "Brickie" Innis, 70, of Grinnell died Saturday, June 5, 2010, at Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, June 9, at Smith Funeral Home with Ian Draegert officiating. Honorary bearers were Mark, Bud and Kenneth Innis, Christopher Weant, Skyler Hass, Jacob Boots and Chris Sutliff. Memorial contributions may be made to the Bill Innis Memorial Fund.

He was born July 27, 1939, in Grinnell, the son of Russell Eugene and Florene Alva Swearingen Innis. He was raised in Marshalltown, attending school in the Marshalltown School District.

On Dec. 12, 1959, he was united in marriage with Sally Jo Renaud at Northside Friends Church in Grinnell. They made their home in Grinnell where he was employed in masonry for several construction companies including Gethmann, Stewart Seedorf and Jensen. He also did independent brick work in the Grinnell area, retiring in 2005.

He was a member of the Grinnell Go Getters CB Club.

He is survived by his son and daughter, Mark Innis and Lisa Ross, both of Grinnell; four grandchildren and two great grandchildren; his sisters Doretta Costello of Teaneck, N.J., Mary "Bess" Draegert of Grinnell and Ruth Kirby of Newburg; three brothers, Bud Innis of Marshalltown, Robert Innis of Barnes City and Kenneth Innis of Havelock, N.C. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; one daughter, Mary Hass, and one sister, Hazel Draegert.