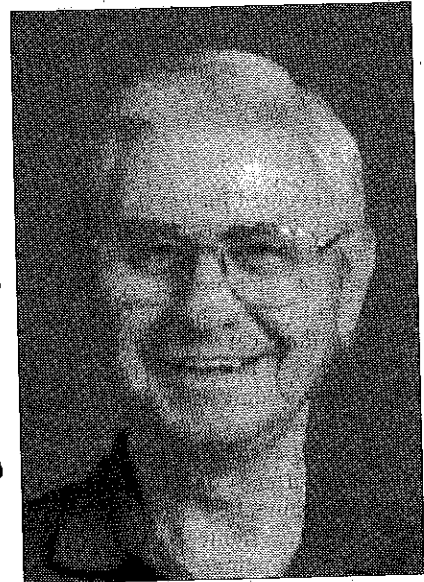


## Eugene Lowell Reisetter



Eugene Lowell Reisetter, 92, died Saturday, Sept. 18, 2010, at the Mayflower Community.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, Sept. 25, at 1 p.m. at Boeke Funeral Home in Radcliffe. Visitation prior to the funeral will begin at noon. Burial will follow the service at Greenwood Cemetery, rural Radcliffe.

A memorial service will be held at the Carman Center at Mayflower on Thursday, Sept. 23, at 3 p.m. Memorials may be made to the Mayflower Community or the charity of the giver's choice.

He was born July 20, 1918, near Radcliffe to Archie Bayard and Percy Bergeson Reisetter, the eldest of six children. He worked on his family's farm during the great depression and was a 1936 graduate of Ellsworth High School.

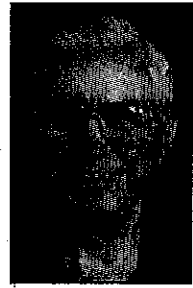
He was united in marriage with Lois Sylvia Reed of Radcliffe on July 8, 1940. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1943, serving in the infantry in Germany, and received the Purple Heart as the result of wounds and a concussion from a tank explosion.

After his discharge from the army, he and his wife farmed near Radcliffe. He then decided to take advantage of the G.I. Bill, and he and his wife and family moved to a small farm near Ames while he graduated from Iowa State University. He worked for the U.S. Agricultural Extension Service in Oskaloosa from 1955 until 1968, then returned to Iowa State University where he earned his master's degree in 1972. He then worked for the United States Postal Service in Ames, retiring in 1983. He and his wife moved to the Mayflower Community in 2006.

He is survived by Lois, his wife of 70 years; three daughters Jeananne Schild of Grinnell and Patricia Leith and Jan Conard, both of Salt Lake City, Utah; five granddaughters and nine great grandchildren.

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Memorials may be sent to the Mayflower Community, Grinnell, or the charity of your choice.

Gene was born July 20, 1918, to Archie Bayard and Percy Bergeson Reisetter, near Radcliffe. He was the oldest of six children and grew up working hard on the family farm during the Great Depression. He graduated from Ellsworth High School in 1936. He married Lois Sylvia Reed of Radcliffe on July 8, 1940.

A member of the Greatest Generation, Gene felt duty bound to enlist in the U.S. Army in 1943, leaving behind his 20-year-old wife and two daughters under the age of two. He served in the infantry in Germany and received a Purple Heart as a result of wounds and a concussion from a tank explosion. After his discharge, Gene and Lois farmed near Radcliffe and added a third daughter to their family. Then Gene and Lois decided to take advantage of the G.I. Bill. They moved their young family to a small farm near Ames, and Gene graduated from Iowa State University in 1955.

After working for the U.S. Agricultural Extension Service in Oskaloosa from 1955 to 1968, Gene returned to Iowa State where he earned his master's degree in 1972. He finished his working years with the U.S. Postal Service in Ames, retiring in 1983. Gene and Lois enjoyed their retirement years on Northwood Drive in Ames until they moved to the Mayflower Community in 2006.

In addition to Lois, the love of his life and his wife for 70 years, Gene is survived by his three daughters, Jeananne Schild (Don) of Grinnell, Patricia Leith of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Jane Conard (Rick Maneval), also of Salt Lake City, Utah; five granddaughters; and nine great-grandchildren.

The family thanks Gene and Lois' siblings and spouses for their loving support over the years: Thora Reisetter, Phyllis Reisetter, Cleone Reisetter, Joyce Reisetter Hughes, Howard and Naomi Reisetter, and Arlene Reed; and to caring nieces and nephews of the Reed and Reisetter families, to other friends of Gene and Lois, and to kind and compassionate caregivers at the Mayflower Community.

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