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## Clayton William Adams 3-21-2013

Clayton William Adams of Asheville, N.C., was called home March 12, 2013, after a long battle with cancer.

Clayton was the youngest of 11 born to Charles and Lela Adams in Grinnell, Iowa on January 1, 1934. He graduated Grinnell High School in 1951. After a tour of duty in the US Navy during the Korean Conflict he graduated from the Iowa State Teachers College and worked as a teacher and coach in Iowa before moving to Chicago, Illinois in 1962.

Clayton will always be remembered for his generosity, kindness, warmth, and his wonderful sense of humor.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Lela, of Grinnell and a daughter Jody.

He is survived by his wife Shirley Adams, of Asheville, N.C.; a sister Maxine Thompson; a brother Virgil Adams; two daughters Kris and Tracy; a son Clayton Mark; three step-daughters, Jennifer, Lynn, and Leslie; a step-son William; 11 grandkids; 6 great-grandkids; and 2 great-grandkids; and numerous nieces and nephews.