

## GERALD GLEN BOND

Gerald Bond, 89 of New Sharon passed away Saturday, April 5, 2014 at the Mahaska Health Partnership Hospice Serenity House in Oskaloosa.



Funeral services were Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at the Assembly of God Church in New Sharon. Burial was in the Union Mills Cemetery at Union Mills. Memorial contributions may be made to the New Sharon Fire and Rescue or the MHP Hospice Serenity House.

Gerald Glen Bond was born on June 22, 1924, to Alva and Florence (Plum) Bond in Jackson Minn. He was the sixth of 10 children. His family eventually moved to Iowa and settled in New Sharon, where he graduated from high school in 1943. On July 4, 1943, Jed was united in marriage to Eunice Bergsten in a double wedding with Sam and June Glendening in Lancaster, Mo. In August of 1943, he joined the U.S. Navy, where he served aboard the Destroyer Escort for 27 months before being honorably discharged in December of 1945. Gerald started three businesses in New Sharon: New Sharon Sanitation, Bonds Fencing and Bonds Family Restaurant, which he ran for 25 years before selling it in 2000. Jed also was the New Sharon City Clerk for several years. He enjoyed fishing, watching anything sports related on TV, visiting with his homebound friends and reading his Bible. He was an avid Chicago Cubs and Chicago Bears fan and loved to watch Iowa Hawkeye wrestling. Jed was very active in the Assembly of God Church, where he was a member and served on the board for many years. He was a member of the Coffin-Miller American Legion Post #446 and a past member of the New Sharon Fire and Rescue.

His memory will be cherished by his wife of 70 years, Eunice Bond of New Sharon; four children, Patricia (Frank) Mick of New Sharon, Jerry (Pam) Bond of Adel, Jim (Sandy) Bond of Montezuma and Donna (Jack) Smith of New Sharon; nine grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; one great-grandchild; two sisters, Vera Miller of Cherry Valley, Calif., and Margaret Corbett of New Sharon; and a sister-in-law, Dorothea Bond of New Sharon.

Gerald was preceded in death by his parents, Alva and Florence Bond; a son in infancy, John; one grandson, Todd Ferguson; and seven siblings, Bessie Stanford, Edna Boomershine, Helen Kitzman, Gladys McBee, Harry Bond, Virginia Malloy and Marjorie Bond.

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