Floyd Postma GH-R



Floyd Postma, Mayflower Community Grinnell, passed away Wednesday, August 26, 2015, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 2:30 p.m., Saturday, September 12, 2015, in the Carman Center of the Mayflower Community, 600 Park Street, Grinnell, Iowa. The Rev. Christine Tinker, chaplain of the Mayflower Community, will officiate. Pianist will be Dr. William Tinker. A private family interment will be at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

The family will receive relatives and friends in the Buckley Hall Dining Room following the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Mayflower Human Needs Fund and sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home, P.O.

Box 368, Grinnell, IA 50112. Floyd was born on February 5, 1924, on the family farm near Monroe, Iowa, to Charles and Tena Earl Postma. The family moved to a farm near Deep River, Iowa. He attended local schools and graduated from Deep River High School in 1943. Following his education, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and served in the European Theater during World War II.

In 1945, he was united in marriage to Ina Colleen Strong, and to this union was born one daughter, Deborah. The family moved to Grinnell in 1946, where he was associated with Hatcher Motors on Main Street and later was the service department manager for Van Wechel Motors.

On April 29, 1960, he was married to Geraldine Van Wechel. The couple lived in Grinnell and he was employed by the Farmhand Company. In March of 1986, the couple moved to the Mayflower Community. Gerry and Floyd were married for 52 years at the time of her

death on May 18, 2012.

He was a long time member of the United Church of Christ-Congregational in Grinnell, the Kiwanis Club, a hospital volunteer and an advocate for senior citizens. He enjoyed traveling and boasted of visiting every state except for North Dakota and having a worms eye view of Europe. Floyd and Gerry spent memorable summers at their cabin in Minnesota, which they happily shared with family and friends. He enjoyed reading, fishing, playing bridge and spending time with his grandchildren.

Survivors include his daughter, Deborah (Dave) Danforth of Grinnell; two granddaughters, Stephanie (Bob) Morton of Pella and Jennifer (Brad) Dahme of Santa Rosa, Calif.; six great grandchildren; three great great grandchildren; and one sister, Wilma Kuster of Pontiac, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his wife; his parents; and one sister, Joan Postma, who died in infancy.

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