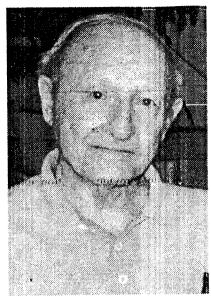
James M. Simmons



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James M. Simmons, 79, of Hampton died Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2006, at Mercy Medical Center-North Iowa in Mason City.

Memorial services will be held in Hampton at a later date. Hogan Bremer Moore Colonial Chapel in Mason City is in charge of arrangements.

He was born June 10, 1927, in Centerville, the son of William H. and Helen L. Halden Simmons. His family moved to Grinnell and he was a graduate of Grinnell High School and attended Grinnell College. He was a graduate of the University of Iowa. He served in the United States Army Air Force from 1945 to 1948. He was married to Donna M. Smith in 1948 in Grinnell. He served as a purchasing agent for several years at the Lefenbure Company in Cedar Rapids. He later worked for Harris Bank in Chicago and CBT in Hartford, Conn. He retired from Northeast Savings and Loan in Hartford as a vice president, moving to Hampton in 1990. He enjoyed golf and howling. He was a member of the American Legion and the Lions Club in Hampton.

He is survived by his wife Donna of Hampton; two sons, James Simmons of Tennessee and Michael Simmons of Middletown, Conn.; one daughter, Melody Flahive of Waturbury, Conn.; 13 grandchildren and four great grandchildren; one brother Bill Simmons, Menominee, Mich., and one sister Sally Graham of Denver, Colo. His parents preceded him in death.