

Richard W. Miller

Richard Wayne Miller, 79, of Tama died Friday, Jan. 4, 2008, at his daughter's home in Grinnell under the care of his family and Amenity Hospice.

Funeral services for Richard Miller will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 8, at 10 a.m. at the Tama Assembly of God Church, with Pastor Karen Norton officiating. Interment will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Toledo.

He was born on April 22, 1928, in rural Jasper County, the eighth of 12 children of Vernon Everett and Ida May Grovenberg Miller. He was raised in Poweshiek County and attended country schools.

On April 11, 1959, he married Joan Welch in England. He served in the U.S. Air Force until 1972, at which time he retired on a medical disability.

He had many interests, including restoring antique clocks and furniture, raising pigeons, hunting, reading Civil War stories and working on the Miller family genealogy. He was a member of the Tama Assembly of God Church, the DAV and the American Legion.

He is survived by his wife; five daughters, Wanda Jones of Lansing, Ill., Joanne Philbin of Newton, Debbie Miller of Grinnell, Susan Lassiter of Smithland, Ky., and Sharon Allison of Grinnell; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two sisters, Audrey Tyer of Polk City and Sis Taylor of Tama; three brothers, Harold Miller of Marshalltown, Don Miller of Tinley Park, Ill., and Gene Miller of Victor; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; his son, Roger; and six brothers, Walt, Harry, Adrian, Glenn, Raymond and Jed Miller.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Amenity and Iowa River Hospice.

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