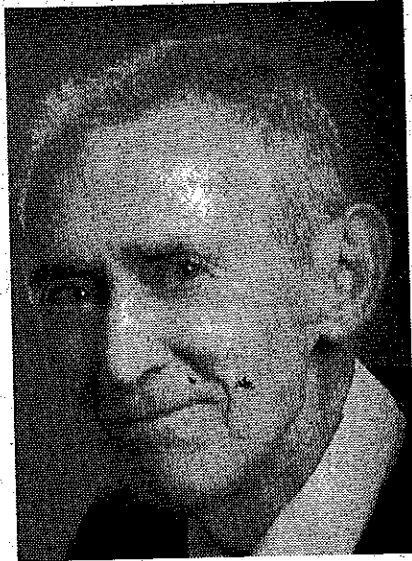


Garland S. Lease



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62 years, Hazel; his children, Lon Lease of Irvine, Calif., Leo Lease of Grinnell, and Linda Millis of Boone; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; brother Herbert Lease of Ft. Madison; sister Vivian Bauer of Phoenix, Ariz.; and many friends.

Preceding him in death were two sisters and a brother.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Francis Manor.

Garland Lease, 85, died peacefully at his home on Sept. 8, 2008. Memorial services will be Saturday, Sept. 13, 2008, at 2:30 p.m. at the Grinnell United Methodist Church. Inurnment will be later at the Rock Island National Cemetery, Rock Island, IL.

Garland was born on July 28, 1923, to Arthur and Cora Lease in Gorin, Mo. He joined the U.S. Navy in 1943, serving as a Seabee until his military retirement as a Master Chief in 1972. While in the service, he met and married Hazel Buffington on January 31, 1946.

He served in World War II, Korea, and Vietnam and was stationed in many locations, including Puerto Rico, Barbados, at the Mobile Amphibious Repair Facility in Weondi Island, New Guinea, and 13 years in Port Hueneme, Calif. After retirement, he and Hazel lived 17 years in Bentonville, Ark.. Garland also trained and showed obedience dogs for 18 years. He was a great father, caring lovingly for his grandchildren during his retirement.

He is survived by his loving wife of