Waylon E. Taylor

Waylon E. Taylor, 80, of Boone, formerly of Grinnell and Searsboro, died Friday, June 20, 2008, at Mary Greeley Hospital in Ames



A funeral service will be held

Tuesday, June 24, at 11 a.m. at the Evangelical Free Church on South Story Street, in Boone. Graveside services and burial will be in the Wexford Cemetery in Allamakee County near Lansing at noon on Wednesday. Arrangements are by Schroder Memorial Chapel in Boone. Memorials may be made to Hidden Acres of Dayton, an Evangelical Free Church camp.

He was born Feb. 12, 1928, to Nova and Ola Taylor of Cora, Mo. He attended rural country schools and then high school in Milan, Mo., before attending refrigeration school in Chicago and bible classes at Vennard College in University Park, Iowa.

After World War II, he served in the navy.

At the time of his marriage to his first wife, he worked at Maytag in Newton. After their divorce, he married Dorothy Tish in Eau Claire, Wis., on June 14, 1964. He farmed in the Kellogg and Grinnell areas for 13 years. He later served as pastor of the Pleasant Ridge Friends Church in Coone Rapids, at the Muscatine Friends Church, at the Kilpeck Friends Church, at the Scranton Friends Church, and at the Ralston United Methodist Church. The couple moved to Boone in August of 2007.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, golfing and reading newspapers and outdoor magazines. He was an avid St. Louis Cardinal and Iowa Hawkeye wrestling fan. He loved travel, telling stories and

doing bird calls.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Tish Taylor; his sons and daughters, Randy Taylor of Galesburg, Vivian Andrew of Osceola, Earl Taylor of Ogden, Jane Runner of Gilman and John Taylor of Boone; 15 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; a brother, Everett, of Browning, Mo.; and four sisters, Gladys Reid, Elsie Durr and Betty Taylor, all of Grinnell, and Ann Bausell of Browning, Mo. He was preceded in death by his parents; an infant son, a sister, Peg Pierce; a brother, Glenn; an infant grandson; and an infant great-grandson.

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Graveside services and burial were in the Wexford Cemetery in Allamakee County near Lansing on Wednesday, June 25, at 12 noon.

Waylon was born in Cora, Missouri, on February 12, 1928, the son of Nova and Ola (Straley) Taylor. He attended Knifong Grove country school and then high school in Milan, Missouri, before attending refrigeration school in Chicago and taking Bible classes at Vennard College in University Park, Iowa. Waylon served with the United States Navy after World War II. He married Beverly Cooper and the couple was blessed with four children: Randy, Vivian, Earl, and Jane. At that time, he worked at Maytag in Newton. The couple later divorced. On June 14, 1964, he married Dorothy Tish in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, and they were blessed with a son, John. He farmed in the Kellogg and Grinnell areas for 13 years. Waylon then served as a pastor at the Pleasant Ridge Friends Church in Coon Rapids from 1964 to 1969, Muscatine Friends Church from 1969 to 1973, Kilpeck Friends

Church, rural Muscatine, from 1973 to 1977, Scranton Friends Church in Scranton from 1985 to 1990, and the Ralston United Methodist Church from 1989 to 1998, Waylon and his wife Dorothy moved to Boone in August of 2007.

Waylon enjoyed hunting, fishing, golfing, and reading the Des Moines Register and outdoor magazines. He also was an avid fan of Cardinals baseball and Iowa Hawkeyes wrestling. He loved to travel, tell stories, and do bird calls.

He was preceded in death by his parents, infant son, David, grandson, Tom Runner, infant great grandson, Trent Crady, a sister, Peg Pierce, and a brother, Glenn Earl Taylor.

Waylon is survived by his wife, Dorothy of Boone; three sons, Randy Taylor and wife Pat of Galesburg, Iowa, Earl Taylor and wife Dede of Ogden, John Taylor and wife Heidi of Boone; two daughters, Vivian Andrew and husband Bob of Osceola, and Jane Runner and husband Dave of Gilman; 15 grandchildren; 24 great grandchildren; a brother, Everett Taylor of Browning, Missouri, and four sisters, Gladys Reid, Elsie Durr, and Betty Taylor all of Grinnell, and Ann Bausell and hus-Everett of Browning, band Missouri.

Memorials may be given to the Hidden Acres Christian Center in rural Dayton.

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