

## George A. Brown

George A. Brown, 73, of Rte. 4, Grinnell, died of cancer Sunday, July 30, at Grinnell General Hospital.

A memorial service was conducted Wednesday at the United Church of Christ-Congregational, with the Rev. David Bowman officiating. Eulogists were James Pilgrim, Robert Higgins and Ben Graham. Organist was Alice Renaud.

Pallbearers were Gregory Brown, Douglas Brown, Brian Carlson, David Harrington, Paul Harrington and Kevin Wolff. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery. The Smith Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in Mr. Brown's name may be made to the United Church of Christ-Congregational, the American Cancer Society, or Hospice Grinnell.

The son of Frank A. and Blanche Meacham Brown, he was born May 11, 1916, in Grinnell. He graduated from Grinnell High School in 1934 and from Iowa State University in 1939. He majored in agricultural economics and animal husbandry and was elected to the Alpha Zeta and Gamma Sigma Delta honorary fraternities.

He was married to Clara Byam Dec. 15, 1940, in Ames.

Mr. Brown was the first to contour land in Grant Township and farmed until 1956 when a congenital back problem necessitated a career change. He then became a consultant for the Cedar Valley Farm Business Association where he served for 26 years. He also served on the two-member committee which computerized the statewide Farm Business Association records.

Mr. Brown was a member of the United Church of Christ-Congregational, where he taught Sunday school, served as a member of the Religious Education Committee and was a member of the diaconate. He was a member of the State Religious Education Committee which chose the site and began development of Pilgrim Heights Camp.

Mr. Brown was treasurer of the Poweshiek County Health Improvement Association and treasurer of the Poweshiek County Dairy Artificial Insemination Service when each was first organized. He was also a member of the Hermon Masonic Lodge and the Grinnell Rotary Club.

Survivors include his wife, Clara; two daughters, Nancy Wolff of Ames and Diane Harrington of Mount Vernon; two sons, Gregory and Douglas, both of Grinnell; six grandchildren; one sister, Marianna Duey of Waverly; and one brother, Stanley of Creston. He was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Judith Kay Brown; and a sister, Dorothy Sherman.