

Roy Goughnour Jr.

Roy E. Goughnour Jr., 79, of Marion, formerly of Grinnell, died of cancer Tuesday, May 18, at his home.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday morning at the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Monticello. Interment with military honors as Hazelwood Cemetery, Grinnell.

He was the son of Roy E. and Blanche Williamson Goughnour Sr. and born Jan. 4, 1920, in Dubuque. He graduated from Grinnell High School in 1938 and attended Grinnell College for two years. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II.

He was married to Bernice Reisel Jan. 11, 1942, at the Reisel family farm near Grinnell. He worked for a number of years as an electrician and electrical contractor in the Grinnell area. In 1965, he went to work for Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Co. The couple later moved to Monticello. Mrs. Goughnour died in 1977.

On Oct. 19, 1979, he was married to Laverna "Bev" Bevens Coyle. He retired from Grinnell Mutual in 1985, and the couple moved to Marion in September 1997.

Mr. Goughnour was a member of the First Congregational United Church of Christ, Burns Lodge and Riverside Gardens Committee. He was a Camp Courageous volunteer.

Surviving are his wife; one son, Richard of Memphis, Tenn.; one daughter, JoDee Roof of North Liberty; five grandchildren; one sister, Harriet Sheldon of Mesa, Ariz.; and one brother, George of Asheville, N.C. He was preceded in death by his first wife.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, the First Congregational Church or the First Presbyterian Church.

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