

## John Linkletter memorial held

John A. Linkletter, 62, of Old Greenwich, Conn., died Thursday, April 18, at a Greenwich hospital.

A memorial service was conducted Saturday at the Old Greenwich First Congregational Church.

Mr. Linkletter, former city editor and photographer of the Newton Daily News and editor in chief of Popular Mechanics magazine, was a native of Canada. He graduated from Roosevelt High School in Cedar Rapids in 1941.

He served with the U.S. Navy during World War II as a carrier pilot. After receiving a master's degree in English from the University of Iowa, Mr. Linkletter joined the staff of the Newton newspaper in April 1950 as a reporter-photographer, becoming city editor in 1953. He received top awards from the Iowa News Photographers Association in 1952.

After leaving the Daily News, he worked for Meredith Publishing Co. in Des Moines. He joined Popular Mechanics

in 1959 as managing editor, becoming editor in chief in 1974. Shortly before his death, he received the U.S. Navy's highest civilian award, the Distinguished Public Service Award, from Secretary of the Navy John F. Lehman in New York.

Mr. Linkletter is survived by his wife, Joan; one daughter, Gayle of Brooklyn, N.Y.; two sons, John of Greenwich, Conn., and Scott of Old Greenwich; his mother, Edna Linkletter of the Mayflower Home in Grinnell; one sister, Ethel Howig of Grinnell; and a brother, Montague of Cedar Rapids.

Memorials in Mr. Linkletter's name may be made to the Writers Workshop Foundation of the University of Iowa and will be accepted locally at Grinnell Federal Savings and Loan.

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