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Robert Sigler

Robert Myers Sigler, 80, of Grinnell died of complications of Alzheimer's disease Tuesday, March 18, at St. Francis Manor, where he had lived for six years.

The body has been donated to the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, Md., where Mr. Sigler had participated in the Alzheimer's Disease Research Study for the past 13 years. The body will be cremated, and a memorial service will be conducted in Laporte, Pa., at a later date.

He was the son of Howard F. and Alice Myers Sigler and was born in Harrisburg, Pa. He was raised in Camp Itill. Pa., and graduated from Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pa.

He was married to Jean Boots in 1942.

Mr. Sigler was a life-long member of the Presbyterian Church and was ordained as an elder. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was an adviser in automotive maintenance. After the war he served in the Army Reserve Corps, retiring as a colonel.

He was hired by General Motors in 1946 and remained with the Chevrolet Motor Division in various management positions for 31 years. He and his family had lived in Camp Hill, Denver, Colo., Birmingham, Mich., and Edina, Minn, before retiring to Carlisle, Pa. There he was an elder in the first Presbyterian Church and served on the board of directors of the Girl Scouts and the Good Samaritan Fellowship. In 1990 he moved with his wife to Grinnell where he was a member of the First Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are his wife; four children, Robert of Troy, Mich., John of Mahtomedi, Minn., Mary Hullsiek of Birchwood, Minn., and Karen Phillips of Grinnell; three brothers, John, Richard and Alan, all residing in Pennsylvania; and nine grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Presbyterian Church of Grinnell. The Smith Funeral Home is handling all artangements