

Raymond Standerwick *July 8, 1996*



Raymond E. Standerwick Jr., 68, died Wednesday, July 3, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Lon Lewis, pastor of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, officiating. Organist was Kathleen Heffner.

Pallbearers were Robert Baird, Charles Bethel, Addison Jones, Don Pederson, John Pfitsch and Ned Postels. Honorary bearers were Kenny Elliott, John Kintzinger, Jim Peak, Dale Pinkerton, Jim Robison and Lyn Spriggs.

Burial was in Grant Cemetery, Grant, Iowa. Memorial contributions in Mr. Standerwick's name may be made to Hills and Dales Home, Dubuque, or to the Special Olympics.

The son of Raymond E. and Anna Marie McKenna Standerwick, he was born Nov. 9, 1927, in Chicago. He received his education in the Chicago public schools. He attended Morgan Park Junior College and was a 1952 graduate of Grinnell College.

He served with the 1st Marine Division at Camp Pendleton following World War II.

On Aug. 3, 1952, he was married to Rachelle Pogue in Villisca. He coached boys' basketball and football at Alden, Redfield, Manning and Grinnell. While he was in Manning, his basketball twice finished in the top 16 at state competition.

After leaving coaching, he worked for several years as a sales representative for school supply houses. He was marketing manager for Durrant Group Architects in Dubuque for 15 years. In recent years, he had been developing a retirement career as a motivational speaker. He was the pastor of both the Westfield Community Church and Oak Grove Friends Church in rural Grinnell. He was a member of the Grinnell Masonic Lodge.

Mr. Standerwick was a former basketball and football player. While in the Marines, he was heavyweight boxing champion. He worked with handicapped children at Hills and Dales Home in Dubuque and volunteered each year with the Special Olympics.

Surviving are his wife; one daughter, Ann Marie Standerwick of Grinnell; and one brother, George of Tucson, Ariz. He was preceded in death by his parents.