

## George Wilson

George Martin Wilson, 69, of Rock Creek Lake, formerly of Grinnell, died Thursday, Oct. 20, at Mercy Hospital Medical Center in Des Moines.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. John Epperson, pastor of the Grinnell Christian Church, officiating. Organist was Margaret Wheeler.

Pallbearers were Nate Benesh, Earl Davis, Bob Johnson, Max Meldrem, Jack Phipps and Bernie Sheets. Honorary bearers were Earl Gilbreath, Mike Keenan, Mel McCarthy, Ray Meldrem and Fred Soroka.

Military rites were conducted by members of Focht-Tennant American Legion Post No. 53, with burial in Hazelwood Cemetery.

The son of Perry William and Wynema Bunch Wilson, he was born May 14, 1925, in Mendota, Mo. He moved with his family to the Grinnell area and received his education in the Grinnell school district. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy during World War II and served as a radarman in the Pacific Theater.

He was married to Maxine Deppe May 25, 1946, in Iowa City. They lived in Grinnell until 1963 when they moved to Rock Creek Lake.

Mr. Wilson worked as a quality control inspector at Donaldson Co. for 30 years, retiring in 1983. He was a member of the Kellogg American Legion.

Surviving are his wife; his children, Dennis of Rock Creek Lake, Ronda Wilson of Grinnell, Michael of Grinnell and Jody Potter of Grinnell; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a sister, Betty Hannagan of Grinnell; and three stepbrothers, Robert Holmes of Des Moines, Jack Holmes of Artesia, Calif., and Mike Holmes of Norwalk, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his stepmother, Mildred Wilson; and one brother, Carmen "Cocky" Wilson.

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