



Robert "Bob" Ziel

May 18, 1926 - November 6, 2008

Robert "Bob" Eugene Ziel, 82, formerly of 522 State Street in Boone passed away Sunday morning, November 2nd, 2008 after an extended illness at the VA Central Health Care System in Knoxville, Iowa. He was born in Hannibal, Missouri on May 18, 1926 the son of Clarence and Lucy (Moore) Ziel. He grew up in the Muscatine Iowa area, where he enjoyed hunting and fishing with his Dad as well as being the city marbles-shooting champion, something he was quite proud to claim. Robert enlisted in the US Navy during WWII while he was still in High School. He served in the Pacific theatre where he had stints on PT Boats as well as working with the Seabees in constructing buildings and bridges on some of the islands in the South Pacific. He really enjoyed the Navy years and had numerous stories about adventures during the war. He married Marilyn Samuelson on October 9, 1948 in Des Moines while attending AIB. Robert farmed with his father-in-law, Wallace Samuelson, for 42 years and later helped his son Eric farm in the Boone area. Farming was something he really loved with a passion. Robert also did income tax preparation for several years as a winter project when not farming. After retirement, he worked part time at Bohlen and Associates selling real estate. After Marilyn's passing, he married Mary Hayes on November 9th, 1991 and lived in Boone where they enjoyed traveling, camping, fishing, playing cards and numerous other activities. Robert was proud to have been part of bringing The Farm Progress Show to Boone County, especially since the show site is on ground that he had farmed for so many years. He was a long time member of Farm Bureau, VFW, American Legion, Mt. Olive Masonic Lodge #79 AF&AM, White Shrine, Order of Eastern Star Magi Chapter #139, Za-Ga-Zig Shrine, and the First United Methodist Church. He loved to sing and was a member of the Ametones Barbershop Chorus and other barbershop quartets for several years. He belonged to the Tall Corn Antique Car Club for several years and enjoyed going to car shows. He was also a 4-H leader for a number of years. His parents, Clarence and Lucy Ziel, and his first wife, Marilyn Ziel preceded him in death. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ziel of Boone, a son and daughter-in-law, Eric and Carol Ziel of Boone, two granddaughters, Erica Conklin and husband Brent of Newport Beach, California, and Jennifer Ziel of Boone, one great-granddaughter, Morgan Conklin of Newport Beach, California, one step-son, Bill Gilliam and wife Becky of Boone, two step-grandsons, Greg Gilliam and wife Theresa, of Peoria,

Arizona, and Matt Gilliam of Council Bluffs, Iowa, one step-granddaughter, Gina Judge of Boone and eight step-great-grandchildren, a brother-in-law, Fred Hickcox and wife Carolene of Saylorville, a sister-in-law, Beverly Schoff and husband Roland of Boone, a nephew, Alan Schoff and wife Jennifer of Boone, nieces, Kim Uthe and husband Bruce of Ogden, and Karyl Jones and husband Gene of Huxley. Funeral services will be held on Thursday afternoon, November 6th at 1:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Boone with Rev. Philip Webb officiating. Interment with full military honors and presentation of the flag conducted by the Veterans Council of Boone will be in the Linwood Park Cemetery in Boone. Friends may call at the Stark-Welin Chapel in Boone on Wednesday evening from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. with the family present during that time to greet friends. Visitations continue on Thursday morning at the Chapel from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. when the casket will be taken to the Church where visitations will continue from Noon until the time of service. Masonic services, conducted by Mt. Olive Lodge #79 of Boone, will be conducted on Wednesday evening, November 5th at 7:30 p.m. at the Stark-Welin Chapel in Boone. Those wishing to express their sympathies through a memorial may direct their memorial to the First United Methodist Church or Mt. Olive Masonic Lodge #79.

Comments



“ Sorry about the loss.
I thought of him well from 4-H, and many other activities;as well as how he was good friends with my Dad.

Sorry,
Harvey Harrison

Harvey Harrison - November 07, 2008 at 12:17 PM



“ Just a short note to say how sorry I am to see about Bob's passing. I live in Huntsville, AL and read the Boone News Rebulican on line every week just to stay in touch with home. Bob and my Dad, Morris Samuelson, were good friends until my Dad died in 1966. My Dad and Bob's first wife, Marilyn, were first cousins. Once again sorry to hear about Bob.

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