

## **Robert D. Blair, 74** ✓

**WEST DES MOINES** - Robert D. Blair, 74, who retired in 1975, as head of what now is the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation, died of a heart ailment April 28, 1997, at Iowa Medical Center. A memorial service was held May 1, 1997, at McLarens Funeral Chapel with burial at Resthaven Cemetery.

Robert was born in Irwin to Dr. Alvin and Pearl Mcconnell Blair. He grew up and went to school in Irwin and lived in Des Moines until 1950, when he moved to West Des Moines. He was an Air Force veteran and a member of the Iowa State Policeman's Association, Retired Peace Officers, the Iowa Association of Chiefs of Police and Westminster Presbyterian Church. He married Dorothy Post with a son, Robert, and daughter, Patty (Dan) Fisher, born to this union.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; a son, Robert of Knoxville; a daughter, Patricia (Dan) Fisher of Des Moines; a brother, Dr. Gene Blair (Regina) of Irwin; a sister, Marjorie Langbehn of Des Moines and three grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Iowa Peace Officer's Association.