



Robert S. Ross, 64

April 11, 1931 - Dec. 7, 1995

Harlan - Robert Sellers Ross, the son of Harold and Fay Sellers Ross, was born April 11, 1931 in Co. Bluffs. He had many fond memories of growing up in the Co. Bluffs hills. They family moved to Mt. Ayr, Iowa in 1949 where Bob graduated from high school. He attended Grinnell College where he was co-captain of the swimming team. After graduating in 1953 Bob worked as a state bank examiner.

Sept. 8, 1956 he married Nancy Norris. To this union three children were born. They moved to Harlan in 1959 where Bob served as vice-

president of the Harlan National Bank. Bob was active in the Harlan Chamber of Commerce, Ducks Unlimited, the County Conservation Commission Board and many civic organizations. In 1969 he was selected as Harlan's Man of the Year. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin School of Banking and Harvard University's Institute of Financial Management. He retired as president of the Harlan National Bank in 1981. Bob loved to cook, fish, hunt, serve on the Harlan Fire Department, collect and create miniature Civil War cannons and model ships. But most of all, Bob loved collecting friends. His favorite places were Sasaginnigak Lake in Canada, the island of Maui in Hawaii and Harlan. His collection of friends extended to these areas. Dec. 7, 1995 Bob died at his home in Harlan at age 64 years, seven months and 26 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Surviving are his wife, Nancy of Harlan; son, Scott Ross (Margy) and daughter, Katie of Eden Prairie, MN; his daughter, Ann (Rick) Long and children, Sarah and Adam of West Des Moines; his daughter, Lynn Ross of Avon, CO; a sister, Gerry Walters of Ponte Vedra Beach, FL and other relatives.

A memorial service was held Dec. 11, 1995 at the Congregational United Church of Christ in Harlan with Rev. C.G. "Gary" Nienkamp officiating. Inurnment was in the Walnut Hill Cemetery in Co. Bluffs. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.