

Glenn Roberts, 84

Dec. 11, 1919 - May 9, 2004

IOWA CITY – Glenn E. Roberts was born Dec. 11, 1919, in Redline, the son of William and Elsinia Michaelsen Roberts. He attended schools in Harlan, graduating from Harlan High School. Following graduation, he worked for Western Engineering. During WWII, Glenn served his country in the Army Air Corps.

Glenn married Cecile Carl, formerly of Harlan, in Pasadena, CA, Dec. 5, 1942. They had been married for over 56 years before Cecile's death in 1998. Together they moved to Iowa City where he attended the University of Iowa. Following his graduation, he purchased Varsity Cleaners, which he owned until his retirement. Glenn was a member of the Congregational United Church of Christ and a lifetime member of the Elks Club in Iowa City. As a way to give back to his community, Glenn served on the Iowa City Council and organized the Glenn Roberts Hospice Golf Tournament held each August at the Elks Golf Course. Glenn died at his home in Iowa City May 9, 2004, at age 84.

Glenn was preceded in death by his wife, Cecile, in 1998, two sisters and one brother. He is survived by his sons, William (Shirley) Roberts, Mike Roberts and Tom (Vicki) Roberts; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; four step grandchildren; a niece, Jeanette (Merlyn) Knudsen of Harlan; and other relatives.

Funeral services with military honors were held May 15, 2004, at Gay and Cihra Funeral and Cremation Service in Iowa City with Rev. Judy Gingerich officiating. Private family burial services were held May 17, 2004, at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Iowa City.

