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Born: 1/20/1923 Died: 3/19/2003

Services will be held at: A Gathering of friends & family will be Saturday, March 22, 2003 at the Bjoin Home, 407 Springfield Drive, Marshalltown from 2:00 to 4:00 P.M.

Vincent Bjoin, 80, of 407 Springfield Drive, Marshalltown, Iowa died Wednesday, March 19, 2003 at Mercy Hospital Medical Center, Des Moines, Iowa. Following cremation at the Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, a GATHERING of family & friends will be held to celebrate Vincent's life from 2:00 to 4:00 P.M, on Saturday, March 22, 2003, at the Bjoin Home, 407 Springfield Drive.

Vincent Edwin was born on January 20, 1923 in Rice Lake, Wisconsin, the son of Julian Henry & Elizabeth Mansfield (Silvernale) Bjoin. He grew up in Rice Lake, Wisconsin where he graduated from the Rice Lake High School with the class of 1941. Following graduation, he attended Carleton College in St. Paul, Minnesota and Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts before joining the U.S. Navy where he served his country during WWII. After his military service, he received his degree with honors from the Carleton College. He married Barbara Janet Burke on April 22, 1961 at the Bay Pines Chapel in St. Petersburg, Florida. Vincent & Barb moved to Marshalltown in 1978 from Naperville, Illinois where they had lived since 1963. Vincent had been employed with Fisher Controls until his retirement in the mid 1980's. His joy in life was spending time with his family. Vincent is survived by his wife: Barbara Bjoin, Marshalltown, Iowa; two sons: Robert & wife Lynelle Bjoin, Harlan, Iowa and Jeffrey & wife Mary Bjoin, Burbank, California; a daughter: Elizabeth Bjoin, Des Moines, Iowa and five grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents.