

DR. DAVID SMITH COLLISON, 92

Dr. David Smith Collison, age 92, of Marshalltown, passed away Sunday January 10, 2010, at his residence under the care of his loving family and the Iowa River Hospice. His body has been donated to the University of Iowa School of Medicine. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 11:00 A.M. Saturday, January 16, 2010, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Marshalltown. Visitation will be from 5:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M., with a Vigil from 6:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M., Friday, January 15, 2010 at Pursel Davis Funeral Home. Interment will be in Riverside Cemetery, Marshalltown, at a later date. Online condolences may be sent to the family at vogelfuneral-homes.com.



Dr. David Smith Collison was born October 18, 1917, in Marshalltown. He was the youngest of four sons born to Dr. Daniel Austin and Edna Alice (Guilford) Collison. He graduated from Marshalltown High School in 1936 and continued his education at University of Iowa where he received his BS degree as doctor of Dental Science in 1943. During his high School years he played basketball and football and later was on the University of Iowa Golf team.

David served in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1946. He served with the 306th general hospital unit in Europe and was honorably discharged with the rank of Captain. Upon returning from the service he joined his Father Dr. Dan in the practice of dentistry. His first office was above the old Kresge store at 2-1/2 East Main. On September 27, 1947, he married Betty Ann Arceneaux from Welsh, Louisiana, at St. Ann's Church in Houston, Texas. Early in 1948 David and his Father moved their offices to the old Marshalltown Medical and Surgical clinic at 205 W. Main.

David was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church all of his life, the American Dental Association, Iowa Dental association, served as President of the Waterloo district Dental Association. He was also a

member of American Legion Frank Lewis Glick Post #46, VFW Harry C. Harter Post #839, Knights of Columbus, Elmwood Country Club, 20th Century Club. Dr. David was on staff with the Marshalltown Medical & Surgical Center. He also served as co-chairman of the Mercy Hospital building drive and co-chairman of the Lenihan High School building drive. David had many hobbies including golf, hunting, fishing, gardening, and was a fine cook. He designed and built the Collison Par 3 Golf Course, starting with four holes which eventually became 18 holes. He was most interested in farming, building ponds, raising Black Angus cattle and Shetland ponies. He enjoyed following the stock market on a daily basis. His real joy came when he climbed on his old tractor and mowed the fairways of his golf course.

David or "Larry" as he was called by his friends will be greatly missed by his wife, Betty, of over 62 years; daughters, Catherine Lynn (Dan) Moyle of Evergreen Co. and Madeline Ann (Jack) Crawford of Denver, Co; sons, David Craig of Dallas, Texas, and Mark Stephen (Ann) Collison of Marshalltown; 13 grandchildren, Thatcher (Tonya) Moyle, Ryan (Alison) Moyle, Elizabeth, Andrew and Katherine Moyle, Dax, Benjamin, Peter, and Lora Collison, John, Genevieve, Natasha and Sophia Crawford.

In eternal life David joins his parents; brothers, Guilford, Dan Jr. and John Charles Collison.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to St. Mary's Catholic Church, Iowa River Hospice, Marshalltown Community College, Community Y or a charity of your choice.



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