

PETERSEN, Rubert "Bob"

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Viborg
November 8, 2000
Blairstown, Iowa

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Rubert "Bob" Petersen

Rubert "Bob" Petersen, 75, died Wednesday, November 8, 2000, in his home after a lengthy illness. Memorial service were Sunday, Nov. 12 at the Presbyterian Church, Blairstown with burial at Pleasant Hill Cemetery with military rites. His body was cremated.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn, two sons, Paul (Pat) of Durango, CO, and Ross (Christene) of Van Horne; two daughters, Peggy (Derrick) Pickering of Van Horne and Nancy Petersen of Apple Valley, MN; two brothers, Horace (Jane) of Alexis, IL, and Wayne (Ardene) of Viborg, SD; and nine grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Robert was born May 23, 1925, in Viborg, SD, to Arne and Astrid Lauritsen Petersen. He was raised in Viborg, attending country school and graduating from Viborg High School. He furthered his education at Grand View College and South Dakota State University. He spent two years in the Navy during World War II, serving on active duty in the Pacific. On March 24, 1949, he married Evelyn Sorensen in Chicago. The couple lived in Viborg and Brookings, SD before moving to Blairstown in 1957. Bob was in sales for over 30 years and for a few years before retiring in 1991, the couple owned and operated Bob and Ev's Cafe in Blairstown. In his spare time Bob enjoyed golfing and fishing. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Blairstown and a 44-year member of M.J. American Legion Post 170, Blairstown, which provided military graveside rites.

A memorial fund has been established. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider giving the "gift of life" and donate blood.