



Carlyle Bixby

June 16, 1914 - October 12, 2011

Carlyle A. Bixby (1914-2011)

WATERLOO-Carlyle A. Bixby, 97, of Waterloo died Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2011, at the Cedar Valley Hospice Home, Waterloo.

He was born June 16, 1914, in Austin, Minn., son of William Henry and Grace Adel (Patterson) Bixby. He married Dorothy Marie Pierce on April 9, 1935. She died June 12, 1976.

Mr. Bixby graduated from Waterloo East High School in 1934 and co-owned and operated Falls Avenue Cleaners and Sparkle Cleaners with his sister and brother-in-law, Mildred and Gilbert Cook. He was a member of the East High School Ring of Honor and Hall of Fame, Red Cross Disaster team, and honored as a Waterloo volunteer. He was a charter member of First Church of the Open Bible, where he was a Deacon.

Survived by: two sons, Paul (Sue) of Cedar Falls and Garry of Auburndale, FL; a daughter, Marlene Troyer of Waterloo; nine grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Laura (Roger) Bucholtz of Hudson, and Wanda Anderson of Cedar Falls.

Preceded in death by: six brothers, William and Clair in infancy, Leonard,

Kenneth, Donald, and Raymond; three sisters, Leona Schwenneker, Mildred Cook, and Vesta Troyer; and two grandchildren.

Services: 2:30 p.m. Sunday at First Church of the Open Bible, with burial Monday in Fairview Cemetery, both in Waterloo. Public visitation from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday at Richardson Funeral Home, and also for one hour prior to services Sunday at the church.

In Lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to: the Cedar Valley Hospice.

Condolences may be left at www.richardsonfuneralservice.com.

He was a man of Godly principals who was a great mentor for his family and others. He will be greatly missed.

Tribute Wall

KT

“ For as long as I can remember...and as long as I shall live... Bugga will be my Dad, my Grandpa and my hero! He sent me a copy of this poem (author unknown) 13 years ago when I was stationed far away in Korea. Its humor means more to me now, since spending the last week of September with him, than it did back then. He has lived “in the moment” for a long while, using his “Bugga one liners” to mask the names or faces he couldn’t recall. And then just to prove you wrong he would occasionally call you by your name and ask you what you were doing so far away from headquarters. He was a remarkable example of what I continue to strive to become. As he slips beyond our reach, he will be remembered...with a smile. The title is: A LITTLE MIXED UP

Just a line to say I’m living.

That I’m not among the dead: Though I’m getting more forgetful, and mixed up in the head.

I’ve got used to my arthritis; to my dentures I’m resigned. I can manage my bifocals, but O’ Lord I miss my mind! For sometimes I can’t remember when I stand at the foot of the stairs, if I must go up for something or I’ve just come down from there. And before the fridge, so often my poor mind is filled with doubt. Have I just put food away, or have I come to take some out? And there’s times when it is dark with my night cap on my head, I don’t know if I’m retiring, or just getting out of bed. So if it’s my turn to write you, there’s no need of getting sore, I may think that I have written and I don’t want to be a bore. So, remember I do LOVE YOU and I wish that you were near, so must say “Goodbye”.

There I stood beside the mail box with a face so very red, instead of mailing you my letter I opened it instead!

Everything Carlyle Austin Bixby did was through the power of these two words...“lord Willing”. The lord was certainly willing to use this man in so many ways...ways so many of us will cherish privately... forever. Love you Bugga!

Kent Troyer - March 29, 2013 at 02:54 PM

DB

“ *In my toungeer years lwent to school with Paul. I used Falls Ave. Cleaners for many years. My prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. Dixie Billings*

Dixie (Rutledge) Billings - March 29, 2013 at 02:54 PM

LM

“ *Never forgeet when I was young seeing colored televison for the first time ever as a young kid. Also will miss the hand shake when he says OH excuse the stub.*

Larry McKinney - March 29, 2013 at 02:54 PM

CS

“ *Marlene & Wanda
We're very sorry to read of your loss. We know you will miss him, but he has left you a legacy of wonderful memories. You're in our thoughts and prayers.
Carole & Keith*

Carole & Keith Spencer - March 29, 2013 at 02:54 PM

LM

“ *Cal was a true christian always showing his faith by always being psoitive and having a smile on his face and a skip in his step. He always was positive and friendly. Willl never forget witht he hand shake - please forgive the stub. God bless you as you remember your memories.*

Larry McKinney - March 29, 2013 at 02:54 PM

GR

“ Paul, please accept my sympathy for your loss. Jan and I will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.

Gary

Gary Rosauer - March 29, 2013 at 02:54 PM

RM

“ Carlyle Bixby

Ruth Schultz Morris - March 29, 2013 at 02:54 PM

SD

“ Gary and family I was so sorry to hear that Cal had passed away. I did not find out until a few days ago or I certainly would have come to the visitation. My prayers and thoughts are with you all at this difficult time

Sherri Dietz - March 29, 2013 at 02:54 PM

SE

“ Cal was a prince of a man for sure. He was great encouragement to so many over the years. I loved all his kids and I offer my extreme thanks to them for letting me share their dad . My prayers are with you all.

Steve Eastman

Steve Eastman - March 29, 2013 at 02:54 PM