



Gerald E. Bisbey

August 30, 1927 - March 30, 2016

WATERLOO -- Gerald E. Bisbey, 88, of Waterloo, died at home Wednesday, March 30.

He was born Aug. 30, 1927, in Cedar Falls, son of Carl and Esther Hansen Bisbey. He married Mary Lou Laufer on Oct. 31, 1948, in Gladbrook.

Gerald graduated from Cedar Falls High School and had served in the U.S. Army Air Corps infantry during World War II. He had a career in law enforcement, retiring as Cedar Falls Police captain in 1982. He was a member of both First Methodist Church and St. Luke's Episcopal Church, both in Cedar Falls.

Survived by: his wife of Westbrook Acres, Gladbrook; two daughters, Connie (Mike) of Backus, Minn., and Amy (Ted) of Waterloo; two sons, Rick (Sharon) of Waterloo and Jack (Sue) of Minnesota; 11 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Preceded in death by: his parents, and a brother, Duane.

Celebration of Life: will be announced at a later date.

Tribute Wall



“ *Liz and Toni purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Gerald E. Bisbey.* ”



Liz and Toni - April 15, 2016 at 06:30 PM

JH

“ Dear Jack, Amy, Connie and Rick,

My condolences to everyone on the passing of your father. I have so many memories of growing-up with Jack and of the time I spent at your home. I remember well, your father and his “recording” studio in the basement, mixing his favorite music on his reel-to-reel tapes and sharing them with his friends and family. The cases of pop that he would have delivered to the house for the neighborhood to enjoy or the pancake breakfasts’ that I was invited to enjoy. The Kalamazoo (I think that was the brand) pot-bellied stove in the garage that he’d burn in the winter and allow us to sleep in the loft of the garage for an overnight. The trips to Newton to camp and the making of S’mores by the camp fire. And the time we were returning from Newton in your navy blue Ford only to be stopped along the way for speeding. Your father, clearly annoyed, got out of the car and said “I’ll be right back.” Upon his return, he stated “professional courtesy” and we continued. I also remember seeing your parents at St. Luke’s shortly after my brother’s funeral and got an update on everyone that I hadn’t seen in years. He was always so proud to talk about his kids. It’s hard to believe that all of these years have passed, yet it seems like only yesterday that I was bouncing around your house making a nuisance of myself. I wish you all God’s Speed and feel blessed to have so many recollections of time well spent with a great family.

Sincerely,

Jeff Hach

Jeff Hach - April 06, 2016 at 03:56 PM

CF

“ When Jerry and MaryLou would come down from MN for doctor's appointments, his cousin Dick Hanson would call Pat Fisher another cousin and we would meet them in Waterloo or Cedar Falls and have lunch and spend the afternoon visiting. It was always a special time for us all. Jerry had such a loving way about him.
Love Claudia and Pat Fisher

Claudia & Pat Fisher - April 04, 2016 at 04:16 PM

TK

“ Sending condolences to the family of Gerald from the family of the late Duane and Dorothy Simpson.

The Simpson kids - April 02, 2016 at 11:45 AM

RK

“ Sending our deepest sympathy at the passing of Jerry.
We have many fond memories of Jerry and MaryLou, shared many meals, desserts, especially cookies and numerous pots of coffee. Jerry was one of the most loving, giving, witty, knowledgeable men we have met! They were always bopping in with a dozen eggs, a bag of flour or sugar, a trinket or downloaded CD or just for a cup of coffee! One of the greatest gifts he gave Rob, was he obtained all Rob's Dad's WWII medals and the story of his battalion, and framed and presented them to a grateful, teary Rob. Mostly we remember the stories, knowledge, love and genuine kindness of Jerry and MaryLou. (Sorry cannot say one without the other!)
So, we send you, family and friends our deepest sympathy.... And we will frequently toast Jerry with a cup of coffee, a smile and a memory. Rob and Di Kestner

Robert and Diane Kestner - April 02, 2016 at 08:39 AM

RT

We are so very sorry to learn of the passing of Jerry. He was such a caring and giving person and we are going to miss him terribly. My husband played a CD today that Jerry recorded for him. Not only was he a cousin to my husband, he was a wonderful friend. God bless you dear one.

Russ & Karol Towsley - April 02, 2016 at 04:19 PM