



Maurice Johnson

December 10, 2010

On December 11, 2010, Maurice Conway Johnson of Cedar Rapids (formally of Cedar Falls) passed away in his sleep with family by his side. Maurice was born December 1, 1924 in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, the son of Martin and Ann Johnson. He graduated from Central High School in Sioux City in 1942 and joined the Army right after graduation. Maurice served in North Africa and in China during World War II and was a decorated soldier. Maurice also served in the Navy during the Korean War where he was stationed in London, England. In 1947, Maurice met and in the following year, married Sheryl Hutson in Hayfield, Iowa on July 3, 1948. Maurice and Sheryl had three children, Linda (and Steve) Struyk of St. Charles, Missouri, Dan (and Rose) Johnson of West Chicago, Illinois and Mike (and Kathy) Johnson of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. They have 11 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

Maurice worked for Peoples Finance Company for 46 years in their offices throughout Iowa but spent the last several years in the office in Waterloo as the Vice President of the company. Sheryl worked along side Maurice for many years in the Waterloo before both retiring in December, 1999.

Maurice was an avid stamp collector and had pen pals all over the world who would trade stamps back and forth for many years. He also enjoyed reading books and amassed a very large personal library. He was a lifelong learner, attending

Morningside College in Sioux City, Drake University in Des Moines, the

University of

Iowa and, later, attended the University of Northern Iowa. Maurice very much enjoyed following his children and then his grand children through all of their numerous activities. Maurice and Sheryl were very active in the swimming club in Cedar Falls and numerous other organizations. After retirement, they were very active in the Senior Center in Cedar Falls and in the Fall of 2002, he received recognition from the Department of Elder Affairs for the volunteer work at the Senior Center.

Maurice was loved very much by his family and, prior to his death, was able to attend an early family Christmas in which all of the family was able to attend.

Tribute Wall



“ *Sheryl and Family,
My deepest sympathy to you all. I got to know Maurice through working with Jim Sheerer at the Correll & Sheerer Law Firm. He could always brighten my day with his wit and humor. I will always remember Maurice as a good soul who loved people and truly cared, a person who brought a smile to many of us. He will be missed by all of us here at Correll & Sheerer.*
Denise

December 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sheryl and the whole Johnson clan, I am so sorry to hear of Mr. J's passing. I will always remember fondly the hours I spent with "Mr.J" and his bride while working at the PFC office in Cedar Falls. How empathetic you both were to the trials, tears & triumphs of raising 2 children, the stories and advice lavishly offered, the twinkle in his eye when a joke was brewing and the laughter until we all had tears rolling down our faces. He always had a kind word and truly loved people. So many little catch phrases he used on a daily basis still pop up in my own conversations, I find myself using the "Thankyou kind sir" no matter who I am speaking to just as he often thanked Sheryl or myself. I know Mr. J will be missed but all who loved him, me included.*

December 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of the loss of your father.*

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