



Eugene Rosebrook Daniels

August 20, 1927 - August 31, 2013

Gene Daniels passed away Saturday morning, August 31, 2013, at Mahaska Health Partnership.

Eugene Rosebrook Daniels was born August 20, 1927, the son of Paul Melvin and Marie Rosebrook Daniels, in Oskaloosa, Iowa.

He enlisted in the U.S. Navy (Seabee branch) at the age of 17, furthering his education. He served in Guam during this time. He then re-enlisted in the U.S. Army retiring in May 1967 after serving 20 years of service. He was stationed in Korea, and did two tours each in Japan and Germany. His specialty was Corp of Engineers.

He married Darlene Andeway, daughter of Martin F. and Helen Irene Havens Andeway, in Oskaloosa, March 9, 1948. To this union six children were born: Kathleen, Linda, Robert, William, Marcia and Cheryl Sue. They later divorced. December 20, 1975, in Oskaloosa, he married Mabel Bunnell Ankeney,

daughter of Alfert L. and Violet Moore Bunnell. Eugene and Mabel resided in Beacon during their 38 years of marriage. He was a Life Member of the Keo-Mah Genealogical Society. He loved talking about his military days to anyone who would listen and he loved going to the casinos in his later years. He also enjoyed gardening and carpentry, remodeling his home over the years.

He is survived by his wife Mabel of Beacon; his six children; two step-children: Carolyn (David) Cupples of Newton, David (Lou) Ankeney of Colorado Springs; a special step-grandson, Charles (Joe) Cupples of Des Moines; a special niece and nephew: Connie Small and Donnie Blizzard of Oskaloosa and many grandchildren; great-grandchildren; step- grandchildren; and step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three sisters; two brothers; and one step-son, Dan Ankeney.

As was his wish, Gene's body has been cremated. A private graveside memorial service will be held at Beacon Cemetery, where his ashes will be inurned. Garland-Van Arkel-Langkamp Funeral Chapel is handling the arrangements. Memorials may be made to the Keo-Mah Genealogical Society.

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“ *Eugene Rosebrook Daniels*

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