



Eugene M. Dolph

March 31, 1932 - January 6, 2016

Eugene M. "Dolph" Dolph, 83, of Hampton, Iowa, passed away Wednesday, January 6, 2016, at the Rehabilitation Center of Hampton in Hampton, Iowa. He was born on March 31, 1932, in Primghar, Iowa, the son of John and Tracy (Hulst) Dolph. Dolph graduated from Primghar High School in 1950. He received both his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from the University of Northern Iowa where he was a member of the varsity baseball team. Dolph was united in marriage to Mary Jean Getty on August 15, 1953, in Primghar. He served his country in the United States Army from 1954 to 1956. Dolph taught mathematics at the Hampton Junior and Senior High Schools from 1956 to 1990. During that time he also coached a variety of sports including serving as head baseball coach. He was a member of the Hampton United Methodist Church and was active in various church committees. Dolph enjoyed fishing, golfing, and playing bridge; he was in the same bridge club for over fifty years. He was an avid sports fan who followed numerous teams especially the H-D Bulldogs. Eugene was affectionately known to his many friends as "Dolph" but to the hundreds of students who passed through his classroom door he was always "Mr. Dolph". Mr. Dolph was a very special teacher to those many students who learned in his classroom; he had the special ability to let each student know that he truly cared about them. Some said it was the way he greeted each student as they entered his classroom, others the way he acknowledged them in the hallway, still others remember how each day he would check with them in the study hall before classes

started to see if they needed help with a math problem. All remember him as a kind and caring teacher who many say "he was my favorite". Dolph is survived by his wife Mary Jean Dolphin of Hampton, sister-in-law Mary Dolphin of Rock Rapids and special friend Mishelle Richards and family. He was preceded in death by his parents John and Tracy and brother Gerald. In lieu of flowers memorials may be directed to an organization of your choice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Eugene M. Dolphin*

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