

Gordon Scott, 82, of Prescott, Ariz., and formerly of this area, died of cancer July 24, 2013, in Prescott.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 30, at the First Baptist Church in Prescott. In lieu of flowers, the family requests those who wish send contributions to the Granite Mountain Hotshots' families in his name.

Hampton Funeral Home handled the arrangements. Visit www.hamptonfuneralhome.com to sign the guestbook.

Gordon was born June 1, 1931, in Marshalltown, the son of Joyce and Harry Scott. The family moved to Indianola and then Grinnell, where he graduated from GHS as a "49-er."

His work on the railroad took him to Arizona, where he met his bride-to-be Sylvia, an immigrant from England, on a church outing to the Granite Dells pool. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy, and married Sylvia on May 24, 1953, prior to his first deployment.

He is survived by two sons, Robbin D. Scott of Prescott Valley and Steven D. Scott of Wilhoit; four grandchildren; three grandchildren and two stepgrandchildren; one brother John Scott of Knoxville; and numerous other relations.

He was preceded in death by Sylvia, his wife of 56 years, on Nov. 3, 2009.