

# Wilbur G. Eyestone



Wilbur G. Eyestone, 94, of Grinnell died Monday, Jan. 19, 2004, at St. Francis Manor.

A funeral service will be held Friday, Jan. 23, at the United Methodist Church with the Rev. Len Eberhart, pastor of the church, officiating. Organist will be Kathleen Heffner. Casket bearers will be Dawn, Shawn, Deb, Richard and Wilbur Eyestone, Allen Latham and Tracy Sadler. Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home beginning at noon Thursday with the family present from 3 to 5 p.m. Interment will be in Hazelwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the United Methodist Church.

He was born Nov. 25, 1909, on the family farm near Washington, Iowa. He attended rural school and graduated in 1927 from West Chester High School. He received the bachelor of science degree in agriculture from Iowa State University in Ames in 1935. He was married to Ruby Ada Allen in Ames on Jan. 1, 1937. The couple lived in northeast Iowa before moving to Grinnell in 1937. He worked for the New York Life Insurance Company and later owned and operated Eyestone Insurance and Real Estate Agency in Grinnell. He also owned the first H&R Block Tax Service in Grinnell.

He was a member of the United Methodist Church, Hermon Masonic Lodge of Grinnell, the Scottish Rite of Des Moines, the Order of Eastern Star and the Grinnell Kiwanis Club.

He is survived by two sons Wilbur Eyestone of Des Moines and Richard Eyestone of Grinnell, eight children, eight great grandchildren, and three sisters, Flo Walker and Esther Eyestone, both of Denver, Colo., and Eleanor Trummel of Iowa City. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Ruby and two great granddaughters.

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