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## Death Brings Family Reunion To A Sad Close

Death brought to an untimely close a Thanksgiving family reunion at the home of John Wentzel in Malcom. Mr. Wentzel's brother, William Mathias Wentzel of 1316 Harrison avenue, Des Moines, his wife, daughter Lois and grandson, Francis Gahman, started from Des Moines to spend the holiday in Malcom. On the way Mr. Wentzel suffered a stroke and died this morning at 8:30 o'clock at his brother's home in Malcom, aged 75 years, 2 months and 12 days.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell, conducted by Rev. W. B. Wilson, with burial in Hazelwood cemetery.

Mr. Wentzel formerly lived in Grinnell. He was born Sept. 15, 1869, in Princeton, Ill. He is survived by his wife, Chatta Boyle Wentzel, and three children, Lois Wentzel and Mrs. Wilma Foster of Des Moines, and Glenn P. Wentzel of Iowa City. Two daughters preceded him in death. He is also survived by one grandson, Francis Gahman of Des Moines, two granddaughters, Roberta Foster and Marilyn Foster of Des Moines, one brother, John Wentzel of Malcom and one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth House of Webster City.

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## Des Moines Man's Funeral in Grinnell

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GRINNELL, IA.—Services for William Mathias Wentzel, 75, of 1316 Harrison ave., Des Moines, will be at 1:30 p. m. today in the Smith funeral home here.

He died Monday in Malcom, Ia., at the home of his brother, John, after suffering a stroke on his way there for a holiday visit. A former resident of Grinnell, he was born in Princeton, Ill. Surviving are his wife and brother, two daughters, Miss Lois Wentzel and Mrs. Wilma Foster, of Des Moines; a son, Glenn P. Wentzel, Iowa City, Ia; a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth House, Webster City, Ia., and three grandchildren.