

Memorial set for Mr. Baker

Raymond E. Baker, 74, of 90 Fourth Ave., Grinnell, died of cancer early Monday, April 29, at University Hospitals in Iowa City.

Following cremation, a memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the Grinnell Assembly of God Church, with the Rev. Sam Reaves officiating. Organist will be Naomi Reeves. Memorials in Mr. Baker's name may be made to Hospice Grinnell.

The son of Solomon Everett and Louisa Mitchell Baker, he was born Aug. 21, 1910, in Searsboro. He received his education in Searsboro schools.

On Dec. 21, 1929, he was married to Ruth Brignon Sartwell. The couple lived in Searsboro where he was a member of the Searsboro Odd Fellows Lodge. Along with his father and son Don, he operated the Baker and Son Construction Co. in Searsboro, building some 350

homes in the Grinnell area, as well as several farm buildings.

Following the death of his first wife, he was married to Helen Miller Bird on Feb. 2, 1967, and the couple lived at Clear Lake before returning to Grinnell.

Mr. Baker is survived by his wife; three children, Donald of Grinnell, Norma Innis of Grinnell and Wanda Powell of Newton; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and his first wife.