

Rites Friday For Fred Beck ⁸/₁₂

Fred C. Beck, 61, of Malcom died early Tuesday at Grinnell General Hospital, following hospitalization the past four weeks.

The son of Carl and Mary Schmidt Beck, he was born July 25, 1911, in Chester Township. When he was a young boy, his family moved to Minnesota for a few years before returning to farm near Brooklyn.

For the past 31 years, Mr. Beck had operated a garage and service station in Malcom.

He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church and a member of the church council. He had also served on the Malcom Town Council for a number of years.

Mr. Beck was married to Gretchen Butler Aug. 2, 1940, at Lancaster, Mo. The couple had three daughters: Mrs. Lloyd (Frances) Sisco of Wayland, Mrs. Ronald (Dorothy) Reams of Ewart, and Mrs. Larry (Virginia) Van Ersvelde of Brooklyn.

Besides his wife and children, he is survived by eight grandchildren, Timothy, Todd, and Tyler Sisco of Wayland, Paula, Phillip and Julie Reams of Ewart, and Mathew and Neal VanErsvelde of Brooklyn; three brothers, Walter of Malcom, Harold of Omaha, Neb., and Paul of Mill Brook Farms, N. Y.; and two sisters, Mrs. Donald (Irene) Morrison of Grinnell and Mrs. Norman (Mildred) Schroeder of Malcom.

Funeral services for Mr. Beck will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Trinity Lutheran Church north of Malcom with the Rev. Elmer Elzey, pastor of the church, officiating. Organist will be Miss Cindy Boliver, and pallbearers will include Ronald Baltisberger, Herchel Griffith, Dennis Maschmann, Paul Morrison, Raymond Schilder, and Lester Schneekloth. Honorary pallbearers will be Emil Arvidson, Tom H. Bowers, Louis Ford, Charles Goodrich, Donald Griffith, Russel Hoen, Ward Puls, Elmer Schmitz, Lawrence Sleuwenhoek, and Fred Smith.

Burial will be in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery. Friday may call at the Smith Funeral Home until Friday morning and thereafter at the church.