

## Services Held For Guy Francis

10/2/71

Funeral services for Guy Francis, 86, formerly of Grinnell, were held Saturday, Oct. 2, at the Brand-Fritz Funeral Home in Ackley. Mr. Francis died Sept. 30 at Ackley after a long illness.

Born March 6, 1885, the son of Mose and Rose Robey Francis, he attended a rural school and the Grinnell public schools. He married Johanna Freese of Ackley Feb. 14, 1911, in Eldora. The couple had one daughter, Jenniemae of Grinnell, and celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Feb. 14, 1961.

Mr. Francis was engaged in telephone work for 58 years. Mr. and Mrs. Francis made their first home in Grinnell where he worked for the telephone company. The couple lived in Grinnell for 20 years, moving to Brooklyn for one year in 1931. They then moved to Kellogg where they lived for eight years, later moving to Greenfield for two years and Bondurant for 19 years. Upon his retirement in 1961, the family returned to Grinnell.

Mr. Francis was a member of the Grinnell Congregational church later transferring to the Federated church in Bondurant. He was a member of King David Lodge No. 407, A.F. & A.M., Altoona, and the Nights of Pythias, Grinnell.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife Johanna in 1962. His daughter Jenniemae and several cousins survive. Mr. Francis had lived with his daughter in Grinnell until his health failed in 1969, at which time he was taken to the Lone Elm Nursing Home. In 1970, he was moved to the Presbyterian Home in Ackley.

The Rev. Ray Reimer of the Federated church in Bondurant officiated at the Oct. 2 services.

assisted by Mr. Francis' great-nephew, the Rev. Robert L. Rotgers of St. John's United Church of Christ, Fort Madison. Music was provided by the Rev. Merle Booth, a friend of the family. Masonic services were conducted by King David Lodge, Altoona.