

Monday, December 19, 1960

Prominent Citizen H. J. Gordon, 74 Dies Here Sunday

A well-known Grinnell resident, Henry J. Gordon, 74, died Sunday afternoon at a local hospital. He had been in failing health for some time.

Following cremation, memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Methodist church with Dr. G. S. Bruland, pastor, officiating. Organist will be Mrs. Rhee Auman.

Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Bill Cunningham, Charles Hink, Eldon Olds, Eugene Holmes, I. K. Brown, Oliver Bean, Ray George, and Everett York. For further information, friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home.

Those desiring may contribute to the Community Hospital Building Fund.

Born Apr. 6th, 1886, in St. Genevieve county, Mo., he was the son of Alexander and Martha Smith Gordon. He received his elementary education there and later his college education at Carleton College at Farmington, Mo.

On Nov. 20th, 1912, he was united in marriage with Carmen Hunt and to this union three children were born: Maurice Beverly Gordon of Fort Madison; Giles D. Gordon, Benicia, Calif.; and Mrs. Chester (Geraldine) Lee Anderson of Northridge, Calif.

In addition to his children, he is survived by his wife, Carmen at home in Grinnell; six grandchildren; and three brothers and one sister, Hiram and Burl Gordon and Mrs. Corena Vaughn, all of Farmington, Mo., and Julian Gordon of Festus, Mo.

Mr. Gordon was manager for

Swift and Co. and had managed operations at Fort Madison, Keokuk and Marengo before coming to Grinnell to manage the local plant 24 years ago. He was active in many civic endeavors, including work toward development of the new high school. He was a member of the Methodist church.