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# Feb. 18 Car Crash Here Claims Victim

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A young Grinnell area man, born Oct. 30th, 1939, at Grinnell, Iowa, was injured in a one-car accident Feb. 18th on highway 146 just inside the city limits, succumbed to his injuries Saturday.

He was Albert M. Grattan, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Grattan of Rte. 3, Grinnell, and he thus became Poweshiek county's third traffic fatality of 1964.

Alone in his auto at the time of the wreck, Grattan had just entered the city limits from the north when his car suddenly spun out of control.

Following the accident, he had been a patient at the University hospital in Iowa City. He had been unconscious much of the time. Only last Friday, he had been returned to a Grinnell rest home.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday from the Chester Congregational church. The Rev. George M. Richter will officiate and James-Schalinske Funeral Home will be in charge of arrangements.

Memorial donations may be sent to the Iowa Children's Home Society.

The son of Leland and Stephanie Camp Grattan, he was

born Oct. 30th, 1939, at Grinnell. He attended the Grinnell schools, graduating with the high school class of 1958.

In 1960, he enlisted in the United States Army and served for three years. Following his discharge, he farmed with his brother.

In addition to his parents, he is also survived by two brothers, Worthin and Gordon; his sister, Julie; and his grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Camp at Oak Park, Ill.

He was a member of the Chester Congregational church and the American Legion.

The other two traffic deaths of 1964 in Poweshiek county occurred on Feb. 23rd and May 9th.

On Feb. 23rd, John R. Shay, 33, of Des Moines, died at a Marengo hospital of injuries received earlier that same day in a two-car crash at the intersection of highways 6 and 21 in the eastern part of the county.

On May 9th, Michael Palmer, 24, of Grinnell, was killed instantly when the pickup truck he was driving collided with a semi-truck and trailer on highway 146 just south of Grinnell.