

Herchel Griffith

Herchel Griffith, 76, of Rte. 1, Malcom, died Wednesday, Nov. 18, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at the Malcom Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Daniel I. Ogata officiating. Organist was Margaret Wheeler, and vocalist was Marlene Gritsch. Pallbearers were Ken Breiting, Butch Griffith, Leo Kelm, Larry Manatt, Ron O'Halloran and Dave Steffen.

Burial was in Ivy Hill Cemetery, Malcom, with the Smith Funeral Home of Grinnell in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Malcom Presbyterian Church.

The son of Floyd and Lula Davenport Griffith, he was born Sept. 10, 1916, in Velpen, Ind. The family moved to Malcom, and he was raised on the family farm and attended rural school.

He was married to Pauline Parker Jan. 11, 1941, in Grinnell. The couple farmed near Malcom and raised Belgian horses.

Mr. Griffith was a member of the Malcom Presbyterian Church, serving as a trustee and elder. He was also a member of the Iowa Draft Horse Association and was inducted into the organization's Hall of Fame.

Surviving are his wife; one son, Kenneth of Des Moines; one daughter, Barbara Walz of Tama; five grandchildren; and three brothers, Fred of Brooklyn; Donald "Ike" of Malcom and Dale of Austin, Texas. He was preceded in death by his parents.

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