

Byron Guyer Dies As Result Of Burns Received From Grass Fire

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Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon from the First Baptist church for Byron Guyer, 71-year-old Grinnell man who died Monday at an Iowa City hospital as the result of burns received in a grass fire here one week ago.

Mr. Guyer was burning grass in a field near his home last Thursday when the wind suddenly shifted and ignited his clothing. Hearing his cries for help, a daughter, Mrs. Harvey Parker, who lives across the street from the Guyer home, rushed to his aid and suffered severe burns herself while helping to extinguish his blazing clothing.

Mr. Guyer was treated locally for his third degree burns and then transferred to Iowa City where he succumbed.

Officiating at the funeral services was the Rev. C. E. Kingsley, with Mrs. Warren Miller and Mrs. Clifford Thorpe serving as flower bearers. Pallbearers were Carl Benson, Paul Esler, Carl Gooch, Leslie Johnson, Ronald Probasco, and John Shaw. Burial was at Hazelwood cemetery.

The son of John P. and Harriette Martin Guyer, he was born July 4th, 1886, at Lynn County, Mo. Mr. Guyer was united in marriage with Myrtle Workman at Denmark, Iowa, on Christmas Day, 1906.

A retired railroad fireman, Mr. Guyer had made his home here with his family for the past 29 years, coming here from Brooklyn. He was a member of

the Baptist church and the Eagle lodge.

He is survived by his wife and eight children: Ralph of Ogden, Kan., Mrs. Kenneth Meldrem of Deep River, Mrs. Ray Rivers of Grinnell, Dale of Des Moines, Harry of Milwaukee, Elvion of New Sharon, Gerald of Milwaukee, and Mrs. Harvey Parker of Grinnell. Also surviving are 29 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were one son and six grandchildren.