

Nov. 20, 1973

Ray T. Mehlin

services held

Ray T. Mehlin, 67, of Onamia, Minn., formerly of Grinnell, died early Sunday at Fort Snelling Veterans Hospital in St. Paul, Minn.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. John W. McCallum, pastor of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, officiating. Organist was Mrs. Willard Heffner, and pallbearers were Monte Burnell, Ed Kaisand, LaVerne Lamb, Gary Mehlin,

Ronnie Mehlin and Don Pederson. Graveside rites were conducted by members of the Grinnell Veterans Ceremonial Unit. Burial was at Hazelwood Cemetery.

The son of Theodore J. and Addie Lamb Mahlin, he was born Aug. 6, 1908, near Grinnell. He attended rural schools near Malcom and Grinnell and was graduated from Grinnell High School. He served with the U.S. Army during World War II.

Mr. Mehlin had lived most of his life in Waterloo and for the past several years had made his home in Minnesota. He had been associated with the American Republic Insurance Company as a salesman.

He is survived by his wife, Virgil Covel Mehlin; five stepchildren, Jim, Monte and Jerry Burnell, all of Waterloo, Richard Petrin of Minneapolis, Minn., and Wendy Daiker of Onamia; five step-grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Leonard (Augusta) Pederson of Grinnell; and three brothers, Leslie T. Mehlin of Grinnell, Charles F. Mehlin of Waterloo, and Wayne V. Mehlin of Onamia. He was preceded in death by his first two wives, Gladys Marie Bechthold Mehlin and Mildred Burnell Mehlin; his parents; one sister, Mrs. Rufus (Lina Mae) Hummel; and one brother, Reno Mehlin, who died in infancy.