

Howard
Injuries Fatal
To Ray Miller
Of Searsboro

2-21-55
Pinned Beneath Tractor,
Man Dies at Grinnell
Hospital Thursday

Howard Raymond Miller died late Thursday at a local hospital of injuries suffered the previous day when he was pinned beneath an overturned tractor.

It was the first traffic fatality of 1955 in Poweshiek county and occurred on a county road about 12 miles south and east of Grinnell.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Lived at Searsboro

Miller had spent most of his life in and around Searsboro. Born in Keokuk county, Dec. 12, 1899, he was the son of William and Martha Stansberry Miller. His father died in 1911 and she was remarried.

He was married March 12, 1926 at Chicago, Ill., to Dorothy Casey, who died in 1948. A general laborer and farm helper, Miller had been employed in the Searsboro community. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Funeral Services

Funeral services were conducted from the Searsboro Friends community church with Rev. Myrtle Lee officiating. Burial was in West Liberty cemetery at Searsboro.

Surviving are two sons, Howard Miller in the Air Force in Texas, and Rodney Miller of Libertyville, Ill.; two sisters, Mrs. Ora Fudge of Searsboro and Mrs. Howard Lowry of Grinnell; and a brother, W. Paul Miller of Wichita, Kansas.

Injured In Mishap

Mr. Miller sustained the fatal injuries about noon Wednesday when a tractor he was driving apparently went out of control and rolled over in a ditch pinning him under it. He suffered a punctured lung, internal injuries and mangled limbs. The mishap occurred near the Tom Lowry farm.

At the final rites, music was by Alfred Steen accompanied at the piano by Caroline Orcutt. Flower bearers were Mrs. Charles Chedester, Mrs. Floyd Hasley and Mrs. Thomas Lowrey. Pallbearers were Richard Davis, Floyd Hasley, Melvin Mercedith, Ray Moore, E. L. Tish and Guy Titcomb.

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