

Rites set for  
H-R October 3, 1983  
Mr. Mitchell

Earl A. Mitchell, 82, a longtime Grinnell area businessman, died Saturday morning, Oct. 1, at St. Francis Manor.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Douglas P. Harding, associate pastor of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Hazelwood Cemetery.

The son of Benjamin Arthur and Charlotte Thompson Mitchell, he was born March 19, 1901, near Searsboro. He attended schools of Searsboro and Lynnville. Early in his career he was manager of the Lynnville Telephone Exchange and owned a radio sales business.

He was married to Pauline Johnson on Oct. 14, 1938, at Lancaster, Mo. In the late 1930s he promoted auto racing at his track southeast of the city. For many years he was active in coin-operated entertainment machines distributed through Mitchell Music Sales. He became one of the early TV dealers in the Grinnell area until retiring and selling his interest to Stimson TV. He was a former member of the Grinnell Elks Lodge, the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Grinnell Country Club.

Mr. Mitchell is survived by his wife, Pauline, four children, Leland Mitchell of Myrtle Point, Ore., Earl A. Mitchell Jr. of Little Rock, Ark., Nadine Fales of Greeley, Colo., and John E. Mitchell of Denver, Colo.; nine grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren and three brothers, Frank Mitchell of Rock Creek Lake, J.W. Mitchell of Newton and Ben Mitchell of Grinnell.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Charlotte Ingraham, and a brother in infancy.

H-R Oct 4, 1983  
Earl Mitchell services held

Funeral services for Earl A. Mitchell, 82, who died Oct. 1 at St. Francis Manor, were conducted at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home.

The Rev. Douglas P. Harding, associate pastor of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, officiated. Organist, was Kathleen Heffner.

Pallbearers were George

Bennett, Max Bennett, Marvin Ingraham, Gregory Johnson, Michael Johnson and Larry Mitchell. Honorary bearers were Clifford Crews, Donald Loudon, Waldo Paul, Richard Ramsey, John Shaw and Darrell Stimson.

Burial was at Hazelwood Cemetery.