

George Mitchell

George W. Mitchell, 80, of Grinnell died Saturday, July 21, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services are set for 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. John Epperson, pastor of the Grinnell Christian Church, officiating. Pianist will be Betty Ann Battey, and casket bearers will be Don Audas, Jerry Crawford, Mike Latcham, Michael Mitchell, Josh Peterson, Scott Schmidt, Denny Schutty and Guy Winchell. Burial will be at Hazelwood Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home beginning at noon Monday. The family will be present from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

He was born Sept. 25, 1920, in Grinnell to Louis and Hanna Tennant Mitchell. He was raised in Grinnell and attended Grinnell schools.

He was married to Alta Garr Nov. 28, 1942, in Unionville, Mo. They lived in Grinnell, and Mr. Mitchell worked for the Rock Island Railroad as a section hand until his retirement in 1975.

He was a member of the Grinnell Eagles Lodge.

Surviving are his wife; two sons, Lewis of Newton and Dennis of Grinnell; 12 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Clifford, Garland and Gail; and three sisters, Viola Holcomb, Cecile Vaughn and Dorothy Matherly.

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