

Robert F. Patrick

Robert F. Patrick, 78, of Des Moines, died Monday, Jan. 31, at Veterans Medical Center in Des Moines of a heart ailment.

Graveside services will be held Tuesday, Feb. 8, at Hazelwood Cemetery with John Epperson, pastor of Grinnell Christian Church, officiating. Veterans rites will be conducted by the Grinnell Veterans Ceremonial Unit. Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home all day Monday and those planning to attend the graveside service are asked to meet at the funeral home at 10 a.m. Tuesday.

He was born Sept. 8, 1921, in Oskaloosa and attended school there. He served with the United States Army in Europe during World War II. On June 9, 1967, he was married in Rockton, Ill. to Velma E. Bolar. The couple made their home in Grinnell where he worked in the building and grounds department of Grinnell College. In 1990 the couple moved to Des Moines where he did security work and later worked as a purchasing agent for the Iowa Teachers' Association.

He was preceded in death by his wife. There are no immediate survivors.