

Thursday, December, 31, 1964

Paran Pederson, Former Resident, Dies In Oregon

Paran O. Pederson, age 71, of Myrtle Point, Oregon, passed away Monday in Myrtle Point.

Memorial services were held Wednesday (Dec. 30) at the First Methodist church in Myrtle Beach, Oregon. Memorial services will also be held at 3:00 p.m. Monday, Jan. 4th, at the Grinnell Methodist church with the Rev. William Overhulser, pastor of the West Des Moines Methodist church officiating.

Those desiring may contribute to the Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation. Friends may call the Smith Funeral Home for additional information.

He was the son of Ommund and Bertha Tokle Pedersen and was born near Grinnell on July 12, 1893. He attended the rural schools near the family farm, home and Grinnell high school.

On March 10, 1915, he was married to Sylvia Keeton in Grinnell and to this union 5 children were born, 4 of whom survive him: Mrs. J. (Mary) Gardner of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Robert Pederson of Glen, Ellyn, Illinois; Mrs. Lee (Evelyn) Mitchell of Myrtle Point, Oregon; and Everett Pederson of Bangor, Maine.

Mr. Pederson farmed north of Grinnell for many years until his health failed and he retired, moving to Myrtle Point several years ago to be near his daughter. He was a member of the Methodist church in Grinnell and had transferred his membership to the First Methodist church in Myrtle Point. While in Grinnell he was a member of various Masonic orders, and had been a member of the Chester Royal Grange.

He is survived by his wife, Sylvia, of Myrtle Point, Oregon; his 4 children; 12 grandchildren; 5 brothers and 1 sister: Orville Pedersen, Edwin Pedersen, Lawrence Pedersen and Leonard Pederson, all of Grinnell; William Pedersen of Des Moines; and Mrs. S. E. (Anna) Holley of Gilman. He was preceded in death by his father June 27, 1947; his mother on January 28, 1960; and a son, Richard on December 1, 1924.

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Paran Pederson Memorial Rites Conducted Here

Memorial services for Paran C. Pederson, 71, former Grinnellian who died Dec. 28th at Myrtle Point, Ore., were conducted here this afternoon (Monday).

Services were held at the Methodist church with the Rev. William Overhulser pastor of the West Des Methodist church, officiating. Services were also held on Dec. 30th at the First Methodist church in Myrtle Beach.

Providing organ music at the Grinnell services was Mrs. Kathleen Heffner. Honorary pallbearers were E. D. Crossett, W. C. Cunningham, Floyd Stewart, Clair Strand, Charles Hink, Glen Harris, John Peterson, and O. Dale Smith.

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He is survived by his wife, Sylvia; four children, 12 grandchildren, five brothers, and one sister.

Preceding him in death were his parents and one son.