

H-R January 22, 1987
Robert Ragan rites Friday

Robert R. Ragan, 65, formerly of Grinnell, died Monday, Jan. 19, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Knoxville where he had been a patient since November 1986. Funeral services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Harry H. Linnenbrink of St. Mary's Catholic Church officiating. Organist will be Kathleen Heffner, and pallbearers will be Donald R. Ely, Robert L. Etter, Dennis Lind, Steve Matsen, Harold Purvis and Gerald Weaver. Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery.

Memorials in Mr. Ragan's name may be left at the Smith Funeral Home.

The son of Samuel C. and Verna Irene Wilkins Ragan, he was born on June 10, 1921, in Hedrick, Iowa. He was a graduate of Sigourney High School and attended Grinnell College.

During World War II he served with the U.S. Coast Guard, and following his discharge he was employed by the Maytag Co. in Newton for 30 years. For the nine years preceding his retirement he served as the company's general supervisor of quality control.

He was a member of St. John's Catholic Church in Loveland, Colo., the Knights of Columbus, the Grinnell and Loveland American Legion posts, the Amvets, and the Maytag Management Club.

On Jan. 5, 1973, he was married to Lois Margaret Gibbs Pearson, at LeGrand. The couple had lived in Loveland since 1982. While living in that community, he worked with the Retired Senior Volunteer Program in drug and alcohol

abuse education.

He is survived by his wife, Lois of Loveland; a daughter, Cherie White of Newton; five step-children, James Pearson of Durham, N.C., John Pearson of Cedar Hills, Mo., Carol Pearson of Marshalltown, Rose Parson of Gilbert, Ariz., and Richard Pearson of Loveland; 17 step-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Feb 18, 1987
ROBERT R. RAGAN
Robert R. Ragan, 65, of Loveland, Colo., formerly of this area, was buried at Grinnell Jan. 23. He was the son of Sam and Verna Ragan. He is survived by his wife, Lois, a daughter, Cherie White of Newton, and stepchildren.
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