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Harold Ratcliff, Former Lynnville Resident, Dies

LYNNVILLE (Special) —Harold Ratcliff, 68, of Sully, former Lynnville resident, succumbed Saturday morning at a Phoenix, Ariz., hospital where he had been a surgical patient.

Mr. and Mrs. Ratcliff had been spending the winter in Phoenix.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday from the Lynnville Friends church with the pastor, the Rev. Peter Schuler, and the Rev. Harold Kammeraad, pastor of the First Reformed Church of Sully, officiating. Burial will be in Union Mills cemetery near New Sharon.

With him at the time of his death were his sons, Rayford and Melvin Ratcliff, and his grandson, Larry Sparks.

Mr. Ratcliff is survived by his wife, Trina, whom he married in 1955. Also surviving are two sons, Rayford and Melvin Ratcliff of Lynnville; five daughters, Mrs. Earl (Neva) Klyn of Baxter, Mrs. Clair (Doris) Fenner of Grinnell, and Mrs. Floyd (Velma) Sparks, Mrs. Lloyd (Alice) Sparks, and Mrs. Gerald (Vera) Beason, all of Lynnville; and two step children, Marvin DePenning of Omaha, Neb., and Mrs. Gerritt (Helen) Huyser of Sully.

Other survivors include a sister, Mrs. Lenna Beacroft of Oskaloosa; 21 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, the former Charlotte Groves, in 1950.