

In Crash Man #18 Poor #12

A Grinnell man was seriously injured in a two-car crash Monday afternoon two miles east of Newton on Highway 6.

Listed in poor condition at Skiff Memorial Hospital is William E. Reed of 420 Broad St., who is suffering from several broken ribs.

Also injured in the mishap was Donald D. Friar of Grimes who suffered a broken right hand. He was treated at the hospital and released.

State Trooper John Ponsetto said Friar, who was eastbound on the highway, crossed the center line and struck the Reed car head-on. Both cars were demolished in the accident.

Charges of failure to yield half the traveled portion of a highway were filed on Friar.

William Reed, Crash Victim, Services Held

William E. Reed, 60, of 420 Broad St., Grinnell, died Sunday morning at Skiff Memorial Hospital in Newton of injuries suffered in a car accident Dec. 18.

The son of Rhynaldo and Melinda Ballet Reed, he was



William E. Reed

born Feb. 15, 1912, in Quapaw, Okla. On Sept. 8, 1936, he was married to Ruby V. Lincoln in Newton. The couple had seven children: Larry W. Reed of Forest City, Mrs. Joyce Hendrickson of Grinnell, Mrs. Donald (Janet) Strand of Iowa City, Jerry L. Reed of Newton, Dennis E. Reed of Des Moines, Mrs. Linda Rice of Altoona, and E2 Gordon G. Reed, stationed with the U.S. Navy in San Diego, Calif.

Following their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Reed came to Grinnell where they had spent the past 36 years. Mr. Reed had been associated with the Maytag Company in Newton as an inspector until his retirement in 1970. He was baptized in the Church of Christ and was a member of the "25 Year" Club at the Maytag Company. He was a member of Local 997 of the United Auto Workers in Newton and was very active in union work. He was a past president of the Credit Union and was a member of the Poweshiek County Democratic Central Committee.

Mr. Reed is survived by his wife Ruby; his seven children; 13 grandchildren; three brothers, Rodway, Jake and Jarret; and one sister, Mrs. Lulu Gray. He was preceded in death by one granddaughter; five brothers, John Charles, Clark, Lincoln and Oran; and two sisters, Mrs. Susan Brock and Mrs. Florida Niday.

Funeral services for Mr. Reed were held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Doran Morford, pastor of the Grinnell First Friends Church, officiating. Organist was Elbert Smith. Pallbearers included John Anderson, Max Crawford, Charles Gifford, Ebris Owens, Charles Reed, and James Shults.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

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