

Guy Cooper Slaven, 81, of Grinnell died Thursday, Feb. 9, at Grinnell Regional medical Center.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at the Smith Funeral Home, with Elder Ron Bryan of LeGrand Friends Church officiating. Organist was Margaret Wheeler, and soloist was Shirley Osborne.

Pallbearers were Ron Bryan, Mike Clayton, Lavern Jack, Denny McNurlen, Jim McNurlen and Dave Slaven. Honorary bearers were Scott "Chip" Bryan, Tim Bryan, Gary Clayton, the Rev. Gary Jones, Rod Jones and Jeff McNurlen.

Fraternal rites were conducted by Ed Brand, noble grand, and Paul Strovers, chaplain, I.O.O.F. Lodge 358. Veterans ceremonial rites were performed by members of Grinnell American Legion Post 53, with burial in Hazelwood Cemetery.

He was the son of Wolford F. and Flora Edna Smith Slaven and was born Aug. 14, 1913, near Monticello, Ky. He later moved with his family to the Kellogg area where he attended rural school. He then farmed and worked at the Grinnell Canning Factory. In 1935 he began working for Harry Ritter, Sr. and trained in the heating and plumbing business. He served with the U.S. Army during World War II.

Following his discharge from the service, he returned to Grinnell and sold Harms All Gas. He established Slaven Plumbing and Heating Co. in 1945.

He was married to Bernice I. Atwood July 15, 1951, in Jasper County. They lived in Grinnell where he continued to operate his business until 1967. He then was employed as a plumber for Grinnell College, retiring in 1977.

Following his wife's death in 1985, he was married to Anna Talbert Rolfe April 1, 1987, in Monroe County. They continued to make their home in Grinnell.

Mr. Slaven was a member of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, the American Legion, the I.O.O.F. and the Disabled American Veterans.

Surviving are his wife; two children, Steve of Rock Creek; one stepson, Lee Rolfe of the U.S. Army, stationed in Germany; two sisters, Thelma Winstead of Arlington, Va., and Helen Clayton of Des Moines; and one brother, Eugene of

Grinnell. He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife; one brother, LeRoy; and a sister, Beulah Olson.

## Correction

The obituary for Guy Slaven which appeared in Monday's Herald-Register inadvertently omitted the name of a surviving daughter, Brenda Slaven of Newton.

# Guy Slaven, 81

Guy Cooper Slaven, 81, Grinnell, died February 9, 1995, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, February 11, 1995 at Smith Funeral Home, Grinnell. Elder Ron Bryan, LeGrand Friends Church, officiated the services. Organist was Margaret Wheeler and soloist was Shirley Osborne. Music selections were "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Rock of Ages." Pallbearers were Elder Ron Bryan, Mike Clayton, LaVerne Jack, Denny McNurlen, Jim McNurlen, and Dave Slaven. Honorary bearers were Scott "Chip" Bryan, Tim Bryan, Gary Clayton, Rev. Gary Jones, Rod Jones, and Jeff McNurlen. Fraternal Rites were given by I.O.O.F. Lodge #358 members Ed Brand, Noble Grand, and Paul Strovers, Chaplain. Veterans Ceremonial Rites were given by members of the Grinnell American Legion Post #53. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery, Grinnell.

Guy, the son of Wolford F. and Flora Edna Smith Slaven, was born August 14, 1913, near Monticello, Wayne County, Kentucky. He later moved with his family to Jasper County, near Kellogg, where he attended rural school near his home. Following his education, he farmed and worked at the Grinnell Canning Factory. In 1935 he began working for Harry Ritter, Sr. and trained in the heating and plumbing business, and he also delivered the Des Moines Sunday Register. He served in the United States Army during World War II.

After his honorable discharge from the Army he returned to Grinnell and sold Harms All Gas. He established the Slaven Plumbing and Heating Company in 1945. He was married to Bernice I. Atwood July 15, 1951 at the Pleasant View Church in Jasper County. The couple made their home in Grinnell and he continued operating his business until 1967. He then was employed as a plumber for Grinnell College and retired in 1977. Following the death of his wife in 1985, he was married to Anna Talbert Rolfe on April 1, 1987, at her parent's home in Monroe County, and they continued to make their home in Grinnell.

He was a member of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, the Grinnell American Legion Post #53, the I.O.O.F. Lodge #358, and a life time member of the Disabled American Veterans. He held a passion for fishing and camping, and enjoyed traveling. Most importantly though, was his love for his family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Bernice; a brother, LeRoy Slaven; and a sister, Beulah Olson.

Guy is survived by his wife, Anna of Grinnell; two children: Steve Slaven of Rock Creek Lake and Brenda Slaven of Newton; a step-son, Lee Rolfe, of the United States Army and stationed in Germany; two sisters: Thelma Winstead of Arlington, Va., and Helen Clayton of Des Moines; and a brother, Eugene Slaven of Grinnell.

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