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Ralph Snider dies at 67

Ralph A. Snider, 67, of 1338 Reed St., Grinnell, died Saturday, Aug. 6, at Grinnell General Hospital.

The body was cremated, with private memorial services to be held at the convenience of the family at a later date. A Ralph Snider Memorial Fund has been established, and friends may call the Smith Funeral Home for additional information.

The son of Ralph A. and Narissa Green Snider, he was born Jan. 24, 1916, at Oak Park, Ill. He graduated from Sioux City Central High School in 1934 and for a brief time worked for the Civilian Conservation Corps.

He was married to Elizabeth Thayer on Dec. 30, 1935, at Newton. The couple lived in Washington, D.C., where he was employed by the U.S. Postal Service. During World War II, Mr. Snider served with the 26th Infantry in the European, Middle East and African theaters.

Following his discharge from the service, he continued to work for the Postal Service, transferring to the Grinnell Post Office in 1947. He served as carrier-clerk, retiring in 1975 as assistant postmaster.

Survivors include his wife, Betty; two daughters, Virginia E. McKean of Grinnell and Patricia Wooters of Long Lake, Minn.; four grandchildren; two brothers, Kenneth Snider of Pensacola, Fla., and Norman Snider of Muscatine; and one sister, Laretta Cashman of Phoenix, Ariz.