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Thursday, March 26, 1970

Floyd A. State Services Friday

Floyd A. State, 1024 Chat-
terton St., Grinnell, died Tuesday
morning, March 24, at Grinnell
General Hospital, following an ill-
ness of the past three months.

The son of George and Sophia
Johannsen State, he was born Jan.
18, 1897, at Galt, Iowa, receiving
his education in the public schools
there. He enlisted in the U.S. Army
during World War I and was dis-
charged July 3, 1919.

On Nov. 29, 1919, he was mar-
ried to Vena Ritter at Clarion,
Iowa. Following their marriage,
they lived in Wright County, and
in 1935 they moved to Grinnell
where Mr. State managed an ele-
vator company. He was also em-
ployed by the DeKalb Seed Corn
Co. for many years. From 1951 un-
til his retirement, he was em-
ployed by Grinnell College.

Mr. State was a member of St.
John's Lutheran Church, the Amer-
ican Legion, World War I Barracks

and the Elks Club, and was a
charter member of the Veterans
of Foreign Wars.

He is survived by his wife; his
sons, Wendall of Vista, Calif.,
George of Davenport, and Douglas
of Kearney, Neb.; two daughters,
Mrs. Donald (Carolyn) Beason of
Duncan, Okla., and Mrs. William
(Dorothy) Murphy of Jefferson
City, Mo.; three sisters, Mrs. Har-
old Nelson of Clarion, Mrs. Frank
Gilliam of Chicago, and Mrs. Wal-
ter Wilkens of St. Paul, Minn.;
two half brothers, Eugene State of
Manchester, Iowa, and Henry State
of St. Louis; 16 grandchildren and
two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his
parents and a son, Russell E., who
died in 1946 while serving with the
Marine Corps in China during
World War II.

Funeral services for Mr. State
will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at
the James Schalinske Funeral
Home, with the Rev. Marcus E.
Reitz, pastor of St. John's Luther-
an Church, officiating. Organist
will be Kathleen Heffner, and the
vocalist will be Ruth Dayton. Serv-
ing on the flower committee are
Erma Herrold and Ann Rohr.

Pallbearers will include Wendall
F. State, George A. State, Douglas
R. State, Donald E. Beason, Wil-
liam C. Murphy and Russell E.
Beason. Military graveside servi-
ces will be conducted by the Grin-
nell American Legion post, W. K.
Richardson, commander, and Jack
Day, chaplain.