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Virgil Strand ^{HE}
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Virgil E. Strand, 54, of Rte. 3, Grinnell, died Thursday evening at Veterans Hospital in Iowa City.

The son of Emil and Minnie Roseland Strand, he was born Feb. 1, 1920, near Newburg. He attended rural school near his home and was graduated from Newburg High School in 1938. He later completed several Marshalltown Junior College adult education courses.

During World War II he served with the U.S. Army Air Force. 1-27-1975

On Aug. 21, 1948, he was married to Esthermae Lafrenz at the Little Brown Church at Nashua, Iowa. The couple had three daughters, Judith, Joanne and Janilu.

Following their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Strand farmed near Newburg. He attended the Newburg United Church of Christ and served as secretary-treasurer of the Sunday school. He was also a member of the Farm Bureau and the Lewis E. Murdoch Post No. 640 of the American Legion in Newburg. For the past 17 years he drove a school bus for the Grinnell-Newburg School District.

Survivors include his wife, Esthermae; his three daughters, Mrs. Vince (Judith) Crawford of Iowa City, Joanne Strand at the University of Iowa, and Janilu Strand at the family home; two half-sisters, Mrs. Tom (Frances) Burchland of Rte. 2, Gilman, and Mrs. David (Dorothy) Lyle of Laurel. He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Christine Strand; and one brother, Gerald Tilman Strand.

Funeral services for Mr. Strand were held at 1:30 p.m. today (Monday) at the Newburg United Church of Christ, with the Rev. Robert L. Hempel, minister of the church, officiating. Organist was Mrs. Virgil S. Adams, and pallbearers were Carroll Eames, Myron Roseland, Clair Strand, Glen Strand, Art

However, and Robert Weaver. Graveside rites were

held by Edward B. Leonard, Hender

of L. E. M.

Post No. 640 of the American Legion. Burial was at Rose Hill Memorial Gardens at Marshalltown, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Should friends desire, memorials in Mr. Strand's name may be made to the Newburg United Church of Christ.