

## Joe Watson Rites Today

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Joe Henry Watson, 65, of Searsboro was killed Thursday in a tractor accident near his home.

The son of Fred C. and Martha Pratt Watson, he was born Dec. 9, 1907, near Searsboro. He attended the Searsboro public schools and was graduated from Searsboro High School with the class of 1925.

On July 14, 1933, he was married to Mabel Maxine Barnhart. The couple had four children: Mrs. Charles (Katherine Irene) Arment of Grinnell; Dennis Eugene Watson of Ankeny; Mrs. Karen Ann Fulayter, who died Jan. 28, 1972; and Douglas Dean Watson of Iowa City.

Following their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Watson farmed near Searsboro, moving into town in December of 1970.

Mr. Watson is survived by his wife Mabel; his three children; four grandchildren, Patti Jo and Steven Arment of Grinnell and Denise and Denell Watson of Ankeny; eight sisters and brothers, LeRoy Watson, Ida Watson, Leo Watson, Alvah Watson, Lewis Watson, Mrs. Lloyd (Alice) Johnson, and Viola Watson, all of Searsboro, and Robey Watson of Montezuma; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his daughter Karen; his father and mother, a grandson who died in infancy, and a brother who died in infancy.

Funeral services for Mr. Watson were held at 2 p.m. today at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Delano Cunningham, pastor of the Lynnville Friends Church, officiating.

Burial was in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery at Searsboro.