

**George W. Williams
Funeral Services
Conducted Friday**

H. N. 5-17-54

Funeral services for George W. Williams, 72, retired Grinnell contractor, were held Friday afternoon at Smith funeral home with the Rev. W. F. Overhulser of the Methodist church in charge.

Organ selections were played by Mrs. Rhee Auman and flower-bearers were Mrs. Arthur Robinson and Mrs. Edgar Stimson. Pallbearers were Tom Godfrey, Ed Hughes, Earl Kennedy, Ted Risse, Steve Smith and Frank Wilson.

Burial was in Hazelwood cemetery.

OBITUARY

(By The Minister)

George W. Williams was the son of Henry and Alice Williams. He was born on April 15, 1882 at Reasnor, Iowa, and died at St. Francis hospital in Grinnell at 10:30 on the morning of May 12 1954. He was 72 years of age.

When George was very young, his family moved from Reasnor to Ewart where he spent his

early boyhood. In 1906 George came to Grinnell and he has made his home in Grinnell since that date. For over 30 years he was known as one of the community's builders and contractors.

Many of the homes of Grinnell are the product of his carpentering ability. George was proud of his workmanship and was happiest when he was doing a building job well. In 1905 Mr. Williams joined the local Methodist church by transfer from the church in Montezuma. He has retained his membership in the Methodist church since that date.

In 1907 he was married to Miss Myrtle Kepcke in Montezuma. They had three children, all of whom are still living.

They are: Don Williams of Grinnell, Mrs. J. V. Arney of Albion, Iowa, and Mrs. Alfred Martens of Grinnell. Other survivors are his wife Myrtle, and one sister, Mrs. J. C. McMeekin of Sully. The Williams have eight grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

George had been a long time member of the Odd Fellows and had maintained an interest in that organization. He also was an honorary member of the Grinnell Fire Dept. During the last several years he has been in failing health. During the past few months he has grown steadily worse and eventually death came as a relief from his suffering.

Each of us who has known Mr. Williams will feel that we have lost a good friend and that our community is a better place because of his having been a part of it.