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Sept. 14, 1987
Laird Wray
services set

Laird M. Wray, 79, of 403 Fourth Ave., Grinnell, died Saturday, Sept. 12, at St. Francis Manor. *Aug. 87*

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the United Methodist Church in Grinnell, with the Rev. Raymond Lott officiating. Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery. Friends may call the Smith Funeral Home from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday.

Mr. Wray is survived by his wife, Esther; one daughter, Velma L. Phipps of Grinnell; one son, Larry E. of Montezuma; one brother, Fred S. of Ithaca, N.Y.; and one sister, Velma B. Mayo, also of Ithaca.

Laird Wray services held
H-R September 17, 1987

Laird M. Wray, 79, of 403 Fourth Ave., Grinnell, died Saturday, Sept. 16, at St. Francis Manor.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Grinnell United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Raymond Lott, pastor of the church, officiating. Organist was Kathleen Heffner, and violinist was Diane Wasson.

Pallbearers were Bill Ahrens, John G. Ahrens, Dave Palmer, Dave Phipps, Steve Phipps and Chris Wray. Honorary bearers were Carl Ahrens, Claude Ahrens, Don Ahrens, Bob Breiting, John Nolan, Ed Peak, James Peak and John Peak. *Aug 87*

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Memorials may be made to the United Methodist Church or to St. Francis Manor.

The son of Charles and Elizabeth Hamilton Wray, he was born on Aug. 16, 1908, at

Kellogg. He attended rural school.

On July 4, 1928, he was married to Esther H. Ahrens at Montezuma. The couple lived in Grinnell, except from 1947 to 1949 when they lived in Ithaca, N.Y.

Mr. Wray was in the service station business and the floor-covering business. He was also a salesman for the former Sureway Hybrid Seed Corn Co. and worked as a purchasing agent for Miracle Recreation Equipment Co. He was a member of the United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife; a daughter, Velma L. Phipps of Grinnell; one son, Larry E. Wray of Montezuma; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one brother, Fred S. Wray of Ithaca, N.Y.; and a sister, Velma B. Mayo, also of Ithaca. He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Laird D.; a granddaughter; and a brother, Paul Wray.