Walter L. Smith



Walter Lawrence Smith, 91, of Grinnell died Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2006, at Mayflower Health Care Center.

A funeral service will be held Friday, March 3, at Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. John Saxton, Mayflower chaplain, officiating. Pianist will be Kathleen McCune. Interment will be in Highland Memory Garden in Des Moines. Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home from 12 noon to 6 p.m. Thursday. The family will be present at the funeral home one hour prior to the service on Friday.

He was born July 9, 1914, in Des Moines to Ralph and Stella Tellin Smith. He attended Des Moines public schools and Open Bible College for three years. He was married to Gertrude Helen Feige of Des Moines in April 1939. They lived in Des Moines and he worked for Iowa Packing Company and Armstrong Rubber and Tire Company. They moved to Grinnell in 1994 to reside at Mayflower.

He was a member of Open Bible Church in Des Moines. He enjoyed woodworking, gardening, painting nature scenes, fishing, golf and baseball.

He is survived by one sister, Erma MacKinnon of Bellingham, Wash., nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife; three sons, Ralph, Richard and Harry Smith, his parents and one sister Margaret Kimsey.