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Memorial set for Autens

A memorial service for C. Windsor Auten Sr. and Ruth Saunders Auten, former residents of Kellogg and Grinnell, will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 6, at Pleasant View Methodist Church southwest of Kellogg.

Mrs. Auten died at her home in Belmont, Calif., Jan. 10, and Mr. Auten died on July 4 at St. Joseph, Mo., following his move to be nearer a son at Dearborn, Mo. Their bodies were cremated and ashes spread according to their direction. Family members and friends are being invited to participate in the memorial service. Lunch will be served following the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Auten graduated from Grinnell High School in 1926, married that year, and lived on a farm south of Kellogg until moving to

Berea, Ohio, in the spring of 1929. Mr. Auten worked for American Airlines for 40 years as a mechanic and supervisor, retiring in 1972. They had lived in Ohio, New York, Texas and California but claimed Iowa as home.

They are survived by two sons, Charles Windsor Jr. of Denton, Texas, and C. Richard of Dearborn, Mo.; two sisters, Anne Lois Auten Reynolds of England and Margaret Auten Beveridge of Middletown, Conn.; two brothers, Bert Auten of Newton and Gene Auten of Kellogg; nine grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

They were preceded in death by their parents; Windsor's two brothers, Jay and Melvin of Kellogg; and Ruth's brother and sister.

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Charles Auten rites pending

Charles Windsor Auten Sr., 79, of Belmont, Calif., a native of Kellogg and former resident of Grinnell, died Saturday, July 4, at a St. Joseph, Mo., hospital.

A memorial service will be conducted at a later date at Pleasant View Methodist Church in rural Kellogg.

The son of Frank M. and Susie Mae Morris Auten, he was born on Sept. 17, 1907, in rural Kellogg. He attended rural school south of Kellogg and graduated from Grinnell High School in 1926. He played football and basketball at Grinnell.

On Sept. 22, 1926, he was married to Ruth Saunders, also a Grinnell High School graduate. He farmed with his father and brother Jay until the spring of 1929 when he and his wife moved to Berea, Ohio, where he began work in aviation for American Airlines as a

mechanic. He had worked in Cleveland; Long Island, N.Y.; Fort Worth, Texas; and San Francisco, advancing to supervisory positions. He received his 40-year honor and retired in 1972.

Mr. Auten had been in declining health and on kidney dialysis for several years. He had been living at the home of his son in Dearborn, Mo., at the time of his death.

Survivors include two sisters, Annie L. Reynolds and Margaret Beveridge, both of Middletown, Conn.; two brothers, Bert of Newton and Gene of Kellogg; two sons, Charles W. Jr. of rural Denton, Texas, and C. Richard of Dearborn; nine grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife in January 1987; and two brothers, Jay and Melvin of Kellogg.