

Sunday services are held for Earl R. Beason

Earl Rice Beason, 78, of 1204 Third Ave., died Thursday morning in Grinnell General Hospital following an extended illness.

Earl Beason was born March 31, 1896 in Montezuma, the son of William and Stella Kirkpatrick Beason. On June 23, 1918, he entered the United States Army. He married Alice Eva Holcomb on Feb. 10, 1924, in Lynnville; to this union were born seven children: Mrs. Joe (Florence) Haines of Pella; Mrs. Clayton (Wannetta) Tiedemann of Grinnell; Murry Earl Beason of Jacksonville, Fla.; Glen Beason; George William Beason of Irving, Tex.; Mrs. Lloyd (Rachel) Anderson of Cedar Hill, Tex.; and Mrs. John (Neva) Underwood of Grand Prairie, Tex.

Besides his children, he is also survived by 19 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; a brother, Burlee Beason of Colfax; and two sisters, Mrs. Mae Marchent of Newton, and Mrs. Dale (Grace) McCoy of Richardson, Tex.

He was preceeded in death by his wife Alice on March 28, 1970; a son Glen at the age of

nine; his parents; one sister, Lula; and five brothers, Ross, Sam, Grover, Dewey, and Frank.

He was a longtime resident of the Lynnville and Searsboro area and once operated a sawmill near those towns.

Services for Mr. Beason were held on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 2, at 2 p.m. in the James-Schalinske Funeral Home. The Rev. Sam Reeves, pastor of the Assembly of God Church, officiated, and interment was in the West Liberty cemetery in Searsboro.

Graveside military rites were conducted by the Grinnell Veterans' Ceremonial Unit. Organist for the funeral was Mrs. Sam Reeves, who also served as soloist.

Pallbearers were Cleatis Hershey, Larry Haines, Gean Tidemann, Gregory Tidemann, George Beason, Douglas McCoy and Dennis Underwood.