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Warren Birchard

Warren D. Birchard 89, of Des Moines, formerly of Grinnell, died Thursday, Jan. 13, at Calvin Manor in Des Moines.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. John Epperson, pastor of the Grinnell Christian Church, officiating. The body has been cremated, and burial of the ashes will be in Hazelwood Cemetery.

The son of Dwight and Oella Dow Birchard, he was born Feb. 4, 1904, in Clarinda. He was a 1922 graduate of College Springs Consolidated School and attended Iowa State University.

Mr. Birchard moved to Grinnell in 1927 and did electrical contract work. He was married to Stella Rutherford in 1942 in Grinnell. During World War II he worked in defense industries in San Francisco. He also lived in Newton and Long Beach, Calif., before returning to Grinnell in 1956. He later owned and operated the Birchard Small Appliance & Tool Repair shop on Main St. He moved to Calvin manor in 1984. He was a member of the Grinnell Elks Lodge.

Surviving is a son, Edward of Johnston. He was preceded in death by his wife and one brother, James.