

FRANK M. BURNELL

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During World War I he served in

the Signal Corps and later transferred to the Air Corps. Following his discharge he returned to Iowa as a radio mechanic.

On August 20, 1919 he married Sarah Graham at Brooklyn. He accepted a position with the Federal Aviation Agency as an Airway Traffic Controller and Weather Specialist for 26 years. During his employment with the Federal Aviation Agency he was positioned at the Des Moines and Ottumwa Airports. He retired in 1963.

He is survived by his son: Merle Burnell of rural Grinnell; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and one brother: Arthur Burnell of Jefferson. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife in 1963; one sister: Florence Palmer; and one brother: Ray Burnell.

Services were Oct. 6, 1986 at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Frank Burnell rites Monday

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Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Monday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. John Epperson, pastor of the Grinnell Christian Church, officiating. Organist was Jolene Jones. Pallbearers were Larry Burnell, Loren Burnell, John Burnell, Jack Griffith, Addison Jensen, Edd Dean and Allen Dean.

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