

Grinnell boy dies

H-R March 16, 1978

in gun accident

Cook, Earl Dean

A 13-year-old Grinnell boy died instantly Tuesday afternoon when a 20-gauge shotgun accidentally discharged at his home. *3-14*

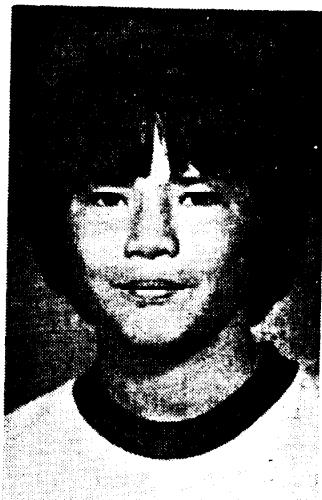
Earl Dean Cook, the son of Adrian and Katsuko (Kathy) Versendaal of Rte. 1, Grinnell, was pronounced dead by Poweshiek County Medical Examiner Dr. Robert Carney.

Funeral services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Friday at the United Church of Christ—Congregational, with the Rev. Philip J. Ramstad, pastor of the church, officiating. Burial will be at Hazelwood Cemetery. Friends may call the Smith Funeral Home for additional information.

He was born March 31, 1964, in Des Moines and had lived in Grinnell the past five years. He was an eighth-grade student at Grinnell Community Junior High School. He had participated in band and was a member of the eighth-grade football team.

Survivors include his parents; his brother and sister, Richard Jo and Livian M. Cook of the family home; his step-brothers and step-sisters, Arie Joe Versendaal of Rte. 1, Dexter B. Versendaal of Rte. 4, Mrs. Jim (Judalon) Boeck of Barstow, Calif., Leroy R. Versendaal of 415 Eighth Ave.,

Andre L. Versendaal of the U.S. Navy in the Pacific. Mitzi L. Versendaal and Rickie G. Versendaal, both of the family home, and John Clinton Snider, Christian Blake Snider, Tonya Marie Snider and Traci Yvette Snider, all of Des Moines; his father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. Earl M. Cook of Des Moines; his maternal grandfather, Yoshitaro Ota of Nagoya, Japan; his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Earl Cook of Yale, Ill.; and a step-grandmother, Mrs. Andrew Versendaal of Pella.



Earl Dean Cook

Earl D. Cook

H-R March 20, 1978
services held

Funeral services for Earl Dean Cook, who died Tuesday of an accidental gunshot wound at his rural Grinnell home, were held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Grinnell United Church of Christ—Congregational.

The Rev. Philip J. Ramstad, pastor of the church, officiated. Music was furnished by Kathleen Heffner, organist, and Kirk Pederson, drums. Pallbearers were Lyle Blake, Jerry Holcomb Jr., Allen Latcham, Delmar Lender, Carroll Van Sant, and Allen Van Wyk. Honorary pallbearers were Charles Cooper, Darlo Kelting, Jeff Oliver, and Harry Reimers. Flower bearers were Bonnie Cooper and Janet Holcomb.

Burial was at Hazelwood Cemetery. Should friends desire, memorials in Earl Cook's name may be made to Grinnell-Newburg Junior High School. Friends may call the Smith Funeral Home for additional information.