

H-K November 22, 1982  
**William Davis rites Tuesday**

William P. Davis, 55, of 431 Twelfth Ave., Grinnell, died Saturday morning, Nov. 20, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines of an apparent heart attack and complications of diabetes.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Revs. Peter and Allyson Sawtell of the Newburg/Chester Parish, United Church of Christ, officiating. Graveside rites will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Bluff Creek Cemetery near Boone. Masonic rites will be conducted at 7 o'clock tonight at the Smith Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the William P. Davis Memorial and left at the funeral home.

The son of William H. and Mary E. Davis, he was born Oct. 21, 1927, at Berwyn, Ill. He moved with his family to Des Moines and attended North High School. He graduated from Pillsbury Military

Academy at Owatonna, Minn., in 1946 and attended Grinnell College and the University of Iowa.

Mr. Davis was associated with the Thriftway Food Stores in Des Moines, Charles City and Independence before working as a right-of-way agent and, later, supervisor of utilities for the Iowa Department of Transportation in Ames. He retired from the DOT in 1980 after 24 years of service. While with the DOT he lived in Ames, Boone and Marshalltown. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Ames and the Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Betty; four children, William M. Davis of Mercerville, N.J., Diane M. Davis of Dillon, Colo., Bruce G. Davis of Ames and Twyla J. Moe of Gilbert; two stepchildren, Robert J. Bullock and Marilyn Beyers, both of Grinnell; five grandchildren; and a sister, Jean Ankrum of York, Pa.

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The Rev. Peter Sawtell of the Newburg/Chester parish, United Church of Christ, officiated. Organist was Kathleen Heffner. Pallbearers were Doyle Ankrum, Bryce Beyer, Robert Bullock, William Davis, Bruce Davis and Eugene Tesdall. Honorary bearers were Vernon Bowman and Kay Reed.

Masonic rites were conducted Monday evening at the funeral home by members of Herman Masonic Lodge Nov. 273. Graveside rites were at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Bluff Creek Cemetery west of Boone, with the Rev. Roy E. Pasley of the Boone First Baptist Church officiating.

The William P. Davis Memorial has been established, and contributions may be left at the Smith Funeral Home.