

Thursday, June 16, 1966

Henry Fleener, 75, Former Resident, Dies At Newton

Henry L. Fleener, 75, a longtime Grinnell resident, died Tuesday morning at a Newton nursing home.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday from the Smith Funeral Home here with the Rev. Chester Custer, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating. Vocal music will be provided by Mrs. Mac Molison, accompanied by Mrs. Rhee Auman.

Pallbearers will be James Roth, Delmar Fleener, Byron Fleener, Eldon Fleener, John J. Harter and Edwin Brand. Burial will be in Hazelwood cemetery.

He was born Dec. 12th, 1890, at Taintor, the son of Pleasant V. and Lucinda Jane Faulkner Fleener. He lived on the family farm near Taintor and attended the Council Bluffs School for the Deaf.

He was united in marriage with Marie Agnes Ryan on Oct. 17th, 1925, at Minneapolis, Minn. They moved to Grinnell in 1925 to make their home and Mr. Fleener was employed for many years with the Grinnell Glove Co.

Mrs. Fleener died in 1951 and he then moved away from Grinnell to be nearer his children. He had lived in Burlington, Iowa, for seven years and for a while in Illinois, before returning to Iowa. He had worked for the Maytag Company in Newton as an inspector and stockman until his retirement in 1955.

Survivors include three sons and two daughters: Bernard Fleener of Brookfield, Ill.; Dale Fleener of LeMont, Ill.; Mrs. Robert (Dorothy) Bergdorf of Burlington; Harrison H. Fleener of Cedar Falls; and Mrs. Elsworth (Ann) Vogel of Casa Grande, Ariz.

Also surviving are 16 grandchildren and numerous other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife; his second wife, Marie; and one brother, Harry C. Fleener in 1953.

Mr. Fleener was a member of the Grinnell Methodist church and the Deaf Fraternal Lodge.