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John F. Gray memorial set

John F. Gray, 80, of the Mayflower Home died Monday, Aug. 24, at Grinnell General Hospital.

A memorial service is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Denison Chapel at the Mayflower Home. The Rev. Philip Ramstad, pastor of the United Church of Christ — Congregational, and the Rev. Harry W. Bredeweg, conference minister of the Indiana-Kentucky Conference, United Church of Christ, will officiate. Pianist will be Gladys Holt.

Following cremation, burial will be at Hazelwood Cemetery.

The son of Wallace and Magdalene Frederich Gray, he was born Dec. 10, 1900, in Joliet, Ill. His family later lived in Crawfordsville, Ind.

On Nov. 1, 1924, he was married to Ruth Hernly at Indianapolis, Ind. Mr. Gray was

an executive with the Indiana Gas and Water Co. for several years.

Following his retirement, he served for four years as business manager for the Indiana-Kentucky Conference of the United Church of Christ. From 1954 through 1956, he was president of the Laymen's Fellowship of the Indiana Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches. He was also a member of Hermon Lodge No. 273, A.F. and A.M. of Grinnell and the Scottish Rite. He came to the Mayflower Home in 1970. While here, he was a member of the United Church of Christ -- Congregational and served the church as a trustee. He was also a member of the Grinnell Kiwanis Club.

There are no immediate survivors. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth, in 1978, two sisters and two brothers.