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Fred Monroe Johnson died on Jan. 27 at St. Francis Manor in Grinnell after an extended illness. He was 88.

Born June 18, 1890 on a farm near Searsboro, he was the son of George and Emma Watson Johnson. He attended the Bunker Hill School northeast of Searsboro through eighth grade. During the first World War, he served in the U.S. Armed Forces, 73200

He married Ida Fleener on June 24, 1950 at the Searsboro Friends Church, He farmed most of his life until retirement, and also worked for some eight years as a carpenter in the area.

Fred Johnson lived with his wife on a farm southwest of Searsboro for many years prior to retirement, when the couple moved to Lynnville. He spent the last few months of his life at St. Francis Manor.

He is survived by two brothers. George of rural Grinnell and Albert of Grinnell. He was preceded in death by his wife, his parents, four brothers and five sisters.