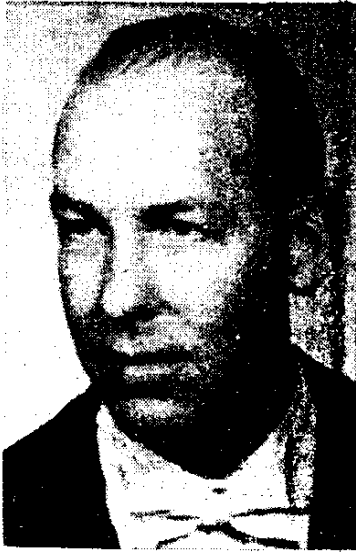


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Prof. Don Jones Services Monday



Don Jones

Don Jones, 47, professor of music and director of choral music at Grinnell College, died at home in Grinnell Friday (Oct. 3) after an illness of several months.

Funeral services for Prof. Jones were held at 3 p.m. today (Monday) at Herrick Chapel, with the Rev. Newell E. Davis, minister of the United Church of Christ-Congregational, officiating. He was assisted by the Rev. Dennis Haas, chaplain of Grinnell College, and Alan Jones, professor of history. Music was provided by the Grinnell College Choir, directed by James Fudge, director of choral music, and organist James Wyly, chairman of the Department of Music. Pallbearers were Louis Zirkle, Robert Ingham, Wayne B. Denny, Albert C. Eisenman, Luther Erickson and Beryl E. Clotfelter. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery, with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Prof. Jones had been a member of the Grinnell music faculty since 1956. As director of choral music, he conducted the Grinnell College Choir, the Grinnell Choral Society, and other vocal groups in home concerts and on tours. He had also served as chairman of the department of music and director of the college's concert series.

Well known throughout the Middle West, Prof. Jones had served as guest conductor and clinician at numerous music festivals and as bass soloist for oratorio works.

He had been guest conductor of the North Dakota All-State Chorus and the Northwest Iowa Festival Chorus, clinician at the Iowa Mus-

ic Educators' Conference and the Iowa Vocal Music Directors Conference, and soloist with the Waterloo Symphony and Choral Society and the Plymouth Congregational Church Choir of Des Moines.

Born in Cedar Vale, Kan., on Sept. 23, 1922, Prof. Jones was graduated from Wellington, Kan. High School in 1940 and earned a B.Mus. degree from the University of Colorado in 1949 and an M.Mus. from the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music in 1950.

He had done doctoral work in musicology at the University of Michigan, and had also studied at the Juilliard School of Music, Virginia Military Institute, City College of New York, Kansas State University, and Kansas State Teachers College at Emporia.

Prof. Jones served on the music faculty at the College of Emporia for four years before coming to Grinnell. His varied background in opera, oratorios, and special productions included a 1950 recital in Carnegie Hall.

He was a member of the American Choral Directors Association, the American Musicological Society, and Phi Mu Alpha music fraternity.

He was in the U. S. Army from 1942 to 1945 and served in Europe with the combat engineers.

Prof. Jones is survived by his wife, the former Russelle Seeberger; two children, Brian, 11, and Sarah, 9; his mother, Mrs. John W. Jones of Wellington, Kan.; one brother, Kenneth Jones of Wellington; and two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Grandin of Wellington, and Mrs. Murray Dresback of Bellevue, Wash.

He was preceded in death by his father.

The family asks that memorials be given to the Grinnell College Department of Music.