

H.R. May 29, 1986

Francis Klaus services held

Francis E. Klaus, 81, of Rte. 2, Kellogg, died Sunday evening, May 25, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. John Epperson, pastor of the Grinnell Christian Church, officiating. Organist was Kathleen Heffner. Pallbearers were Gary Gilbreath, Rich Gilbreath, Judson Jones, Dave Karr, LeRoy Meredith, Dale Van Tomme and Dean Van Tomme. Flower bearers were Diane and Valerie Gilbreath and Gale and Esther Riggs.

Burial was in Jackson Township Cemetery, Montezuma.

The son of Edward and Zana Wampler Klaus, he was born on April 17, 1905, in Des Moines County. He received his education at schools in Burlington.

On Aug. 5, 1939, he was married to Dorothy L. Gilbreath at Kahoka, Mo. The couple lived in Moline, Ill., before moving to Grinnell in 1942. They had lived in the Rock Creek area near Kellogg since 1968. Mr. Klaus had been employed at the Maytag No. 2 plant, retiring due to ill health.

He is survived by his wife; three brothers, Everett of Mt. Pleasant, Harold of Burlington and Urban of St. Louis, Mo.; and two sisters, Captolia Anderson of Burlington and Ruby Beckman of Danville.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Carmon; and an infant sister.