

H-R March 20, 1986

Donald Lewis services held



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M. Donald Lewis, 63, of 1428 Summer St., Grinnell, died of cancer Tuesday morning, March 18, at Grinnell General Hospital.

A memorial service was conducted at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Raymond C. Lott, pastor of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, officiating. Organist was Kathleen Heffner. Following cremation, burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery, with military rites conducted by members of the Grinnell Veterans Ceremonial Unit.

Memorials in Mr. Lewis's name may be made to the American Cancer Society and left at the funeral home.

The son of Mahlon Dodge and Clara Currie Lewis, he was

born on Aug. 7, 1922, at Bedford. He graduated from Bedford High School and from Tarkio College in 1947.

During World War II he served as lieutenant in the U.S. Navy. Following the war he did graduate work at Iowa State University.

On Sept. 12, 1947, he was married to Mary K. Cunningham in Des Moines. The couple came to Grinnell in 1948 where he was associated with Cunningham Plumbing & Heating. He later became owner of the business.

Mr. Lewis was a member of the United Methodist Church, past commander of Focht-Tennant Post No. 53 of the American Legion which he had served as adjutant at the time of his death, past Fifth District commander of the Legion, and a member of B.P.O. Elks Lodge No. 1266, a charter member of the Grinnell Jaycees, a member of the Poweshiek County Conservation Board, and former president and secretary of the State Organization of County Conservation Boards. For a number of years he also was a Naval Reserve officer, serving as commander of the Naval Reserve Communications Unit in Grinnell.

He is survived by his wife, Mary; two daughters, Deborah Taylor of Marshalltown and Kathy Thom of Huxley; and two grandsons. He was preceded in death by his parents.