

Thursday, April 7, 1966

## Former Resident, John Lewis, Dies At Rock Island

John J. Lewis, 55, of Rock Island, Ill., a former Grinnell resident, died suddenly Monday night at Rock Island.

Funeral services were held this morning from the Knox-Larson funeral home in Rock Island with the Rev. Donald L. Jones, pastor of Memorial Christian church there, officiating. Masonic rites were conducted at the funeral home Wednesday evening by Rock Island Lodge No. 658, AF and AM.

Graveside rites were held this afternoon at Hazelwood cemetery here with the Rev. Newell Davis, pastor of the Grinnell Congregational church (UCC) officiating.

Born at Grinnell on Nov. 4th, 1910, he was the son of George and Elizabeth Jenkins Lewis. He attended the Grinnell public schools, University of Iowa, and the Spartan School of Aeronautics at Tulsa, Okla.

On June 10th, 1939, he was united in marriage with Yutha G. Shaw at Montezuma. They moved to East Moline, Ill., in 1940 and resided there for three years.

During World War II he served as a sergeant of ordnance with the U.S. Army in Puerto Rico. He had been employed as a foreman, tank division, Shop M, Rock Island Arsenal, for 26 years.

Survivors include his widow, and cousins in Grinnell, California, and Washington, D.C.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He was affiliated with Rock Island Lodge No. 658, AF and AM; Moline Consistory; Past Wasthmen of Shepherd, Vasti White Shrine of Jerusalem of Rock Island; past worthy patron of OES No. 269, Rock Island; and was a member of the National Rifleman's Association and the Milan Gun Club.