

Thursday, November 23, 1961

Plan Funeral Services Friday For Dess Martin

S. L. (Dess) Martin, 76, Grinnell, died suddenly Monday afternoon at a local hospital following an illness of the past few days. 11-23-61

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, from the Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. B. H. Thorlakson, interim pastor of the First Baptist church officiating. Pallbearers will be Raymond Olson, Rudy Parker, Leo Devereux, Frank Haddon, Harry Jenkins, and Guy Titcomb.

Interment will be in Hazelwood cemetery. Memorial donations may be sent to the Council Bluffs Children's Home.

The son of Thomas and Minnie Russell Martin, he was born April 5, 1885, near Fairbald, one of a family of two children. The family moved to the Grinnell area when he was five years old and he received his education in the Poweshiek county schools.

Later, after the death of his first wife, Alta May Crews, he was united in marriage on April 4, 1924, with Evelyn Fernau Bowman. They made their home on a farm near Grinnell until his retirement.

In addition to his wife Evelyn he is survived by two stepchildren, three grandchildren, and nine great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, and a sister, Mrs. Agnes Boyle, in April of this year.

Mr. Martin was a member of the Elks Lodge and was a 50-year member of the Knights of Pythias.