Clifton E. Meyer

Clifton E. Meyer, 80, of Grinnell died Sunday, Dec. 5, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday morning at the Smith Funeral Home, with Marvin Foss officiating. Organist was Margaret Wheeler, and casket bearers were Richard Ardusser, Larry Massengale, Allan Moyer, Joe Patton, Wayne Rowland, John Schmidt, Larry Steen and Joel Tryon.

Veterans ceremonial rites were conducted by members of the Grinnell American Legion, with burial

in Hazelwood Cemetery.

The son of Henry and Mary Blanche Haynes Meyer, he was born Sept. 8, 1919, in rural Poweshiek County. He was raised on the family farm and attended rural school. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and served in the Pacific theater during World War II.

He was married to Harriett Townsend Dec. 21, 1946, in Grinnell. The couple farmed in Poweshiek County. They moved to

Grinnell in 1992.

Surviving are his wife; three children, Cliff of Jackson, Tenn., Gary of Grinnell and Duane of Montezuma; three sisters, Beatrice Ingraham of Laurel, Maxine Crossett of Virginia and Helen Hall of Newton; one brother, Wesley of Grinnell; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Eva Young and Naomi Gropper; and two brothers,

Lyle and Allan.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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