

Hartwick man dies in

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suicide at police dept.

A rural Hartwick man, missing from his home since Monday morning, was found slumped in his pickup truck at the Grinnell Police Department Tuesday, the apparent victim of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. **Nov. 30**

Harold T. Miller, 56, was pronounced dead at the scene, and an autopsy reportedly was performed later in Des Moines. The approximate time of death was not immediately known, although the truck apparently had been parked on the lot since at least 4 p.m. Monday, according to Poweshiek County Sheriff Max Allen.

Deputy Sheriff Larry Wray said Miller had left his home at about 10 a.m. Monday to attend a sale in Tama. Miller never arrived at the sale, and when he did not return home by Monday evening, his family reported him as missing.

The sheriffs' departments of Poweshiek and Tama counties launched a search which continued throughout the night.

At 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, an

unidentified person going to the Grinnell Police Department parked next to a pickup truck in the lot and noticed the body slumped on the seat. The body was identified as Miller's, dead from a blast from a .410 shotgun.

Wray said Miller had been despondent because of poor health.

Miller, who lived on Rte. 1, Hartwick, is survived by his wife, Pauline; his children, Vicki Mumm of rural Chelsea, Glenn of Hartwick and Lori of Grinnell; two grandchildren; his mother, Edna Miller of Marengo; three brothers, George of Williamsburg, Herbert of Marengo and Ralph of Marengo; and two sisters, Katherine Walters of Burlington, Wis., and Mae Miller of Cedar Rapids.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10:30 p.m. today at the McAninch-Fremming Funeral Home at Victor, with burial at the I.O.O.F. Cemetery there.