

Rites held for Mr. Murphy

FR August 21, 1980

Raymond E. (Mike) Murphy, 69, of Rte. 2, Malcom, died Sunday afternoon at his home of an apparent heart attack.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Marcus Reitz, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, officiating. Organist was Margaret Amo, and vocalist was Marlene Gritsch. Pallbearers were Dale Emmert, Donald Hull, Duane Larsen, William R. Morrison, Merland Pfantz and Gail Wheeler. Honorary bearers were Raymond Bangham, Leslie G. Douglass, Louis Ford, John Fuerst and Laverne Morrison.

Services were conducted by the Grinnell Veterans Ceremonial Unit, with burial at Ivy Hill

Cemetery.

The son of Frederick and Lena Olson Murphy, he was born Jan. 24, 1911, near Malcom. He attended rural school near the family farm and later graduated from Malcom High School.

He was inducted into the U.S. Army in 1942 and served during World War II, having been assigned as a heavy-mortar crewman in Africa and Italy. Following the war, he returned to the family farm.

He is survived by a brother, Harold D. Murphy, and a sister, Ruth J. Murphy, both of rural Malcom. He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, William Murphy; and a sister, Gladys L. Wisecarver.