

## Vernon McDonald

Vernon McDonald, 87, of Brooklyn died Sunday, Jan. 27, at St. Francis Manor in Grinnell.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at Nevenhoven Funeral Home in Brooklyn, with the Rev. James B. Rea Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Brooklyn, officiating. Organist was Sybil Kelley.

Pallbearers were Michael McDonald, Eric McDonald, Alan Klein, Terry Morris, Dennis Plants and Ron Plants. Honorary bearers were Robert J. McDonald, Lynn A. Airey, Mervin K. Airey, Pat McDonald, Jeff McDonald and Greg McDonald. Burial was in Ivy Hill Cemetery, Malcom.

A memorial fund has been established.

The son of Charles and Lydia Richman McDonald, he was born Nov. 27, 1903, in Malcom. He attended rural school. He was married to Frances Ruth Dost Dec. 24, 1924, in Malcom.

Mr. McDonald lived most of his life in Poweshiek County, except for 11 years spent in South Dakota. He farmed and worked for G.W. Manatt. For the past 15 years he had lived with his son Fred and his family.

Surviving are three sons, Robert of Creston, Calif., Fred of Brooklyn and Louis of Cedar Rapids; one daughter, Ruth Ann Airey of Oxford; one brother, Ernest of Grinnell; three sisters, Ruth McDonald, Edith Smith and Viola Holderness, all of Grinnell; 19 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, one son, one daughter, one brother and two granddaughters.

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