

H-R September 8, 1983

Hugh McLain rites Saturday



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Hugh McLain, 84, of 2701 First Ave. E., Newton, died Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 6, at Skiff Memorial Hospital in Newton.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Smith Funeral Home here, with the Rev. Richard Bentzinger of the First United Methodist Church of Newton officiating. Organist will be Kathleen Heffner.

Pallbearers will be Lyle Beeler, Jerry Purvis, Jerry Rankin, Bob Souter, John Taylor, Max Thompson and Clair Wells. Honorary bearers will be G. Lester Duke, Albert Fisher, Max Mahon, Richard Seeland, Stanley Preston, Proctor Stepp and LaVerne Rafferty.

Graveside rites will be conducted by the Grinnell Veterans Ceremonial Unit, with burial at Hazelwood Cemetery. Visitation with the

family will be from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

The son of William and Jane McQuoid McLain, he was born July 14, 1899, in Grinnell. He attended Grinnell schools, graduating from Grinnell High School in 1917.

During World War I, he served with the U.S. Navy. On Sept. 9, 1924, he was married to Eva Ellen Beeler.

Mr. McLain enrolled at Grinnell College and was a member of the Pioneer football team in 1926. For many years, he held the Grinnell College football record for the longest punt, 80 yards, against Simpson College. He graduated in 1927.

Mr. McLain began his career with the Maytag Co. in November 1927. He was promoted to supervisor of machinery in 1941. He retired in July 1964.

He was a member of the Newton First United Methodist Church, the Newton American Legion, and the Maytag Management Club, of which he was a charter member. He was also a member of Newton Masonic Lodge No. 39, A.F. and A.M., the Royal Arch Masons; the Newton White Shrine No. 37; and the Za-Ga-Zig Shrine of Des Moines.

He is survived by his wife, Eva of Newton. He was preceded in death by his parents; two children, Bill and Bonnie; one brother, John McLain; and three sisters, Alta Thompson, Vera McLain and Mary Ann McLain.