

Myles C. Olson

Myles C. Olson, 71, of Grinnell died Saturday, April 14, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Keith Briggs, pastor of the First Friends Church, officiating. Organist was Kathleen Heffner, and vocalist was Anna Slaven.

Pallbearers were Chip Bryan, Jim McNurlen, Tim Bryan, Rod Jones, Jeff McNurlen and Tom Walter. Honorary bearers were Karl Fenton, Lenny Crouse, Tim Fuson, Larry Hines, Jack Collum, Mike Allison and Ed Brand.

Fraternal rites were conducted by I.O.O.F. Lodge No. 358, and military rites were conducted by members of the Grinnell Veterans Ceremonial Unit. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

The son of Charles O. and Clara Sorenson Olson, he was born Dec. 27, 1918, at Quill Lake, Saskatchewan, Canada. Following the death of his mother, he was raised by an aunt and uncle, Inga and Alfred Olson of Detroit Lakes, Minn.

During World War II he served with the U.S. Army Medical Corps.

He was married to Beulah E. Slaven July 15, 1943, at Detroit Lakes. Following his discharge from the Army, the couple came to Grinnell in 1945 where he owned and operated a plumbing business, Olson Home Service, until his retirement.

Mr. Olson was a member of the Grinnell Odd Fellows and Eagles lodges, the American Legion, and the Loyal Order of Moose at Newton.

He is survived by four daughters, Kay Jack of Montezuma, Joyce Bryan of LeGrand, Helen Jo. McNurlen of Grinnell and Judy Jones of Des Moines; 14 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two brothers, Gilmore of Vancouver, British Columbia, and Floyd of Minneapolis, Minn.; and four sisters, Irene Graham of Halifax, Nova Scotia, May Salander of Regina, Saskatchewan, Vi Bounds of North Carolina and Marie Leitheiser of Great Falls, Mont.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and one brother, Charles Jr.

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