

Rites today for Mr. Palmer

W. Kenneth Palmer, 65, of Rte. 1, Grinnell, died of an apparent heart attack at his home Monday, Oct. 15.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. today at the Grinnell First Friends Church, with the Rev. Keith Briggs and Henry Charles Terlouw officiating. Organist was Kathy Vanderploeg. Pallbearers were Robert Burnham, Andrew Dunnick, Tom Good, George German, James Kessler and George Morrison. Burial was at Westfield Cemetery south of Grinnell.

Should friends desire, memorials in Mr. Palmer's name may be made to the First Friends Church and left at the Smith Funeral Home.

The son of George William and Aletha Jane Dimit Palmer, he was born Dec. 29, 1913, near Newburg. He was graduated from Newburg High School in 1932 and began his farming career near Newburg.

On Dec. 25, 1938, he was married to Bessie (Betty) Whitaker in Grinnell. The couple had four children. Mr.

and Mrs. Palmer farmed north of the Grinnell Country Club for 11 years, then at their present farm.

Mr. Palmer was a member of the First Friends Church and had held such positions as clerk, elder and trustee. He was also a member of the Iowa Yearly Meeting Board of Trustees of the church, the Quaker Men of Iowa, and the Gideons of Iowa. He was a member of the Iowa Farm Bureau and the Iowa Silver Sams Camping Club.

Survivors include his wife, Betty; his children, Mrs. Del (Mary Ann) Coppinger of Newton, David K. Palmer of Grinnell, Dennis D. Palmer, D.O., of Aledo, Ill., and the Rev. Thomas A. Palmer of Muscatine; his mother, Mrs. Aletha Jane Palmer of Newburg; two brothers, Anson Palmer of Westminster, Calif., and Virgil Palmer of Newton; and a sister, Mrs. Ivan (Marie) Hunerdosse of Fairfield. He was preceded in death by his father and an infant sister, Ethel Christine.