

James Phipps, 86, Longtime Area Resident, Dies

James Clifton Phipps, 86, longtime Grinnell resident, died at a Newton nursing home Wednesday morning.

Services will be held at 3:00 p.m. Friday from the Smith Funeral Home with the Elder Fred Phipps of LeGrand officiating. Organ music will be provided by Mrs. Eugene Hooley and flower bearers will be Mr. and Mrs. Glen Anderson and Miss Edna Marion.

Pallbearers will be Glen Phipps, Vernon Bein, Wilbur Sharer, Dale Adkins, Don Phipps, and Gerald Phipps. Interment will be in Rock Creek Township cemetery west of Grinnell.

Born on a farm in Jasper county, he was the son of W. Frank Phipps and Melissa Wood Phipps, one of a family of eight children. He attended the schools of Jasper county and later attended the Newton Academy.

On June 26th, 1912, he was united in marriage with Clara Mae Mason and to this union were born one son and one daughter, Virgil Clifton Phipps of Montezuma and Mrs. Harold (Mary Louise) Andes of Grinnell.

Also surviving are two grandchildren, Mrs. William (Patricia Ann) Laubengayer of Cedar Rapids and Jean Wayne Andes of Grinnell; two brothers, T. Jeff Phipps and George E. Phipps of Grinnell; one sister, Mrs. Edith Sharer of Marshalltown; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Clara, on Aug. 24th, 1932; one brother, Mont Phipps; and three sisters, Mrs. Bertha Marshall, Miss Eva Phipps, and Mrs. Dora Elliott.

He moved from rural Jasper county to the Marshalltown area and later to the Grinnell area where he had made his home for the last 50 years. He was a member of the Marshalltown Christian church.