## H-R June 24, 1982. Rites held for Mr. Reavis



LaVerne Reavis
H. LaVerne Reavis, 62, of
1632 Seventh Ave., Grinnell,
died of a heart attack Sunday
evening, June 20, at Grinnell
General Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. James P. Russell of the Grinnell United Methodist Church officiating. Organist was Kathleen Heffner. Pallbearers were Paul R. Ahrens, Larry German, Kenny Halstead, Marion Onthank, Arnold Schulte and Dale Snook.

Fraternal rites were conducted by members of the Grinnell B.P.O. Elks Lodge No. 1266. Burial was at Hazelwood Cemetery.

Should friends desire,

memorials in Mr. Reavis' name may be made to the Grinnell High School Booster Club and left at the funeral home.

The son of James Turner and Mary Wisemiller Reavis, he was born March 23, 1920, in Grinnell. He attended Grinnell schools, graduating from Grinnell High School in 1938.

He worked with his father as a carpenter and in 1940 began his career at the Grinnell Post Office. During World War II, he served as a staff sergeant with the Army 531st Engineers Shore Regiment in North Africa and Europe and participated in the land at Normandy on D-Day. He was decorated with the Croix de Guerre by the French govern ment.

On Sept. 11, 1945, he was married to Lucille Olson in Grinnell. Mr. Reavis retired as assistant postmaster in 1972. He was a member of the Grinnell Elks Lodge and the Grinnell American Legion. He was also a charter member of the Booster Club and attended many high school and college athletic events.

Survivors include his wife, Lucille; his son, Randy J. Reavis of Altoona; and a sister, Edith Taylor of Bargersville, Ind. He was preceded in death by his parents.