

H-R November 14, 1985
Harry Reimers services held



Harry Reimers, 34, of Rte. 2, Grinnell, died Sunday morning, Nov. 10, at University Hospitals in Iowa City where he had been hospitalized for treatment of burns he suffered in a Sept. 25 fire at his home.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Grinnell Christian Church, with the Rev. Fred Zimmerman, pastor of the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Grinnell, officiating. Organist was Kathleen Heffner, and vocalist was Sherry Shults. Pallbearers were Daryl Hall, Mike Hudnutt Jr., Freddie Van Ersveld, Adrian Versendaal, Arie Versendaal, Jerry

Veldhuizen and Leon Wilson. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Harry Reimers Memorial Fund and left at the Smith Funeral Home.

He was born on March 27, 1951, the son of Harley and Mildred McConnell Reimers. He attended rural school in Madison Township and graduated from B-G-M High School in 1969. He was a member of 4-H, the FFA and was active in school sports.

On Oct. 23, 1970, he was married to Janice Latcham. They lived in the Brooklyn and Grinnell areas.

Mr. Reimers was a member of the Brooklyn Volunteer Fire Department prior to moving to the Grinnell area. For the last 12½ years he was associated with Farmhand, Inc.

Survivors include his wife, Janice; one son, Chad; his mother, Mildred Reimers of Brooklyn; two brothers, Franklin and John of Malcom; and two sisters, Elizabeth Reimers of Fremont, Calif., and Anna Twiselton of Lake Zurich, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his son, Lance, who died in the Sept. 25 fire, and his father, Harley O. Reimers.

Fire claims 2nd victim in death of Reimers

Harry Reimers, 34, of rural Grinnell died early Sunday morning, Nov. 10, at University Hospitals in Iowa City of complications from extensive burns he suffered in a Sept. 25 fire at his home.

The blaze also claimed the life of his son Lance, 10, who died at the scene.

Mr. Reimers had been undergoing skin grafts for the severe burns, which covered 90

percent of his body. He had been in the hospital's burn unit since the fire, which was triggered by a faulty furnace.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Grinnell Christian Church, with burial in Hazelwood Cemetery.

Mr. Reimers is survived by his wife, Janice; one son, Chad; and his mother, Mildred Reimers of Brooklyn.

Rites held for Lance Reimers

Funeral services for Lance D. Reimers, 10, who died Wednesday, Sept. 25, in a fire at his rural Grinnell home, were held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at the Grinnell Christian Church.

The Rev. Fred Zimmerman of the Immanuel Lutheran Church officiated, assisted by Richard Merval, Sunday School superintendent for Immanuel Lutheran. Organist was Kathleen Heffner, and vocalist was Kathy O'Connor.

Pallbearers were Mike Hudnutt Jr., Mike Shults, Fred Van Ersveld, Jerry Veldhuizen, Arie Versendaal, Lavern Weaver and Leon Wilson.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

The son of Harry and Janice Latcham Reimers, he was born on Aug. 4, 1975, in Grinnell. He was a fourth-grade student at Davis School at the time of his death. He had been active in Cub Scouts and Little League.

He is survived by his parents; his paternal grandmother, Mildred Reimers of Brooklyn; his maternal grandparents, John and Dorothy Latcham of Grinnell; his maternal great-grandmother, Annetta Latcham of Grinnell; and his brother, Chad.

A Lance Reimer Memorial has been established, and contributions can be made in care of the Smith Funeral Home.

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