

Services Set Wednesday For E. L. Staecker

Funeral services have been set for Wednesday afternoon for Eugene Leslie Staecker, 56, of 822 Broad St. in Grinnell. Staecker died suddenly of an apparent heart condition on Sunday, June 23.

Eugene Staecker was the son of John and Mabel Schultz Staecker. He was born near Malcom on Dec. 18, 1917, and attended elementary schools near the family farm home before attending Montezuma High School.

Following his graduation from high school, he worked on several farms near Montezuma before moving to Grinnell to make his home. While in Grinnell, he was employed by the Halstead Trucking and Bill Peak Trucking companies. For the last 25 years, Staecker was a mechanic at the Grinnell Implement Store before his recent illness forced an early retirement.

On May 16, 1953, he was married to Mabel Johnson in Grinnell. Survivors include his wife, Mabel, his two children, Mrs. William (Ollie) Boyce of District Heights, Md., and Cynthia Kay Staecker, a student at the University of Iowa.

Also surviving are three grandchildren, Chris, Amy, and Kim Boyce, all of District Heights, Md.; as well as one brother and five sisters: Clifton Staecker of Montezuma; Mrs. Fern Tish of Junction City, Ore.; Mrs. Roy (Lois) Niner of Excelsior Springs, Mo.; Mrs. Cletus (Stella) Freeborn of Gilman; Miss Dickie Staecker of Cedar Rapids; and Mrs. Raymond (Helen) Schmitz of Fairfax, Ia. Many nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and nephews also survive.

Staecker was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Johnnie Staecker on Nov. 19, 1968, and one sister, Norma G. Staecker on March 29, 1969.

Services for Eugene Staecker will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 26, at the Smith Funeral Home, with burial in Hazelwood Cemetery. His body will lie in state at the family home (822 Broad St.), where friends may call beginning this evening (Monday).

For additional information, friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home.

Mr. Staecker Rites Conducted

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Smith Funeral Home for Eugene L. Staecker, 56, of 822 Reed St., who died Sunday (June 23) afternoon at his home of an apparent heart condition.

The Rev. Robert L. Hinshaw, pastor of Ashton Chapel in Baxter, officiated at the services. Organist was Mrs. Willard Heffner; vocalists were Mrs. Wayne Dayton and Miss Wilma Schmitz. Pallbearers were: Steve Freeborn, Steve Freeborn, Jim Niner, Mike Schmitz, Les Staecker and Tom Staecker. Honorary pallbearers were Floyd Clark, Keith Wilson, Davis, Dale Icenbice, Dean Kendall, Robert McMeekin and S.J. Urfer.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Mabel; two children, Cynthia Kay Staecker, a student at the University of Iowa, and Mrs. William (Ollie) Boyce of District Heights, Md.; three grandchildren; one brother and five sisters.