

Funeral Services For Johnnie Staecker At Grinnell Nov. 22

Requiem Mass was said at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 22, at St. Mary's Catholic church in Grinnell for Johnnie Wendall Staecker, 52, who died suddenly November 19 at his home in Searsboro of a heart condition.

The Rev. Leo V. Kuebrich, pastor of St. Mary's, officiated. Organist was Mrs. Willard Heffner and vocalists were Mrs. Wayne Dayton and Miss Wilma Schmitz.

Pallbearers were Arnold Davis, John McDowell, Delbert Rayl, Don Tindle, Gerald Ver Steegt, and Melvin Ver Steegt. Burial was in Calvary cemetery at Searsboro.

The son of John and Mabel Schultz Staecker, Mr. Staecker was born on a farm near Malcom on Nov. 15, 1916. He attended the rural schools near his farm home and farmed in the Montezuma and Searsboro area.

On March 19, 1947, Mr. Staecker married Elizabeth C. Schmidt at St. Mary's rectory in Grinnell. Four children were born to this union.

Mr. Staecker was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church in Grinnell. The last six years he was the bulk oil dealer for Skelly Oil Co. in Searsboro and about two years ago the Staeckers moved to Searsboro to make their home. He was recently elected to the Sears-

boro Town Council and served with the Searsboro volunteer fire department.

Survivors include his widow Elizabeth; three children - Thomas John, 14, Joyce Marie, 11, and Dennis Lee, 9; six sisters - Miss Norma Staecker of Des Moines, Mrs. Fern Tish of Junction City, Ore., Mrs. Roy (Lois) Niner of Grinnell, Mrs. Cletus (Stella) Freeborn of Gilman, Miss Dickie Staecker of Amana, and Mrs. Raymond (Helen) Schmitz of Fairfax; and two brothers - Eugene Staecker of Grinnell and Clifton Staecker of Montezuma.

Mr. Staecker was preceded in death by his parents and one son, Kenneth Eugene.

Thursday, November 21, 1968

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The Rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. Thursday at the Smith Funeral Home where friends may call.

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Mr. Staecker was preceded in death by his parents and one son, Kenneth Eugene, in 1963.