Van Derveer, 15, rites are held

Max Van Derveer 55, a Grinnell native, died Saturday morning, Feb. 10, at his home in Corpus Christi, Tex.

Graveside services were held at the Rose Hill Memorial Gardens at 10 a.m. Wednesday, with the Rev. Weldon Whitenack of First United Methodist Church officiating.

Born in Grinnell, he attended Eldora High School and Coe College in Cedar Rapids, before serving with the army during World War II. Later he attended Grinnell College and was employed as editor of the Eldora Herald-Ledger and the Hardin County Index. Soon thereafter, he went to work for the Marshalltown Times-Republican, first as sports editor and then as wire editor.

He was night editor of a Corpus Christi paper at the time of his death. He also wrote fiction under the name of Jack Q. Lynn.

He is survived by his wife, the former Janet McQuiston of Marshalltown; four daughters, Mrs. Jan Cunningham of Eldora, Mrs. Martha Torrence of Ames, Mrs. Anne Hodina of Des Moines, and Shawna Van Derveer of Corpus Christi; a brother, William B. Van Derveer of Ogden, Utah, and three grandchildren.