

M-R Rites set for Mr. VanDraska

November 2, 1981

Arthur LeRoy VanDraska, 79, of 315 Main St., Grinnell, died Saturday afternoon at the Bethesda Nursing Home in Toledo. OCT. 31

Funeral services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with burial at Hazelwood Cemetery.

The son of Fred and Sadie Bullock VanDraska, he was born Feb. 7, 1902, in Grinnell. He attended Grinnell schools. He was married to Eleanor Peterson in 1925.

Mr. VanDraska was employed for a number of years at the former Swift and Co. plant in Grinnell, as well as by Ed Wright Construction and the Rudy Patrick Seed Co. until he retired.

He is survived by his wife, Eleanor; his children, Richard VanDraska of Grinnell, Ruth

Almond of Dallas, Texas, Helen O'Brien of Huntington Beach, Calif., and James VanDraska of Grinnell; 15 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and a brother, Roy A. VanDraska of Grinnell.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Dale, who died as a prisoner of war during the Korean conflict; and a sister, Josephine Frost.

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The Rev. Daniel I. Ogata, pastor of the Grinnell First United Presbyterian Church, officiated. Organist was Kathleen Heffner. Pallbearers

were Richard Bortell, Doyle Burkett, Richard Clark, Marion Gibson, Clarence Innis and John Winchell. Honorary bearers were Nigel Anderson, Larry Hines, Russell Koger, O.R. Peterson, L.M. Pickens and Ted Reavis.

Burial was at Hazelwood Cemetery.

M-R November 5, 1981