

MR. VAN DRASKA DIES

Roy Van Draska, 87, of 317 Main St., died Sunday morning, Aug. 2, at Grinnell General Hospital. Funeral services are pending at the Smith Funeral Home.

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Roy Van Draska, 87, of 317 Main St., Grinnell, died of complications from a stroke Sunday, Aug. 2, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Grover Branson, pastor of the church of the Nazarene, Ottumwa, officiating. Organist was Alice Renaud. Pallbearers were Jim Crawford, John Crawford, Ronnie Heishman, Duane Kriegel, Mike Kriegel and Jim Van Draska. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery. ~~Aug 17~~

The son of Fred and Sarah Bullock Van Draska, he was born on June 29, 1900 in Grinnell. He attended Grinnell schools. He began working at Grinnell College in September 1923 and was employed there for 43 years before retiring in January 1966.

He was married to Jennie Gardner Townsend on May 22, 1927, at Grinnell. Following her death he was married to Nona A. Kriegel on July 14, 1945, at Grinnell.

Mr. Van Draska is survived by four children, Mary Barnum, Roy Jr., Judy Dillon and Sharon Asberry, all of Grinnell; his stepchildren, Harriet Meyer of Searsboro and John Townsend of Davenport; nine grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; and eight step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Jennie; his second wife, Nona; a brother, Arthur; a sister, Josephine Frost; and one grandson.