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Raymond White

Raymond G. White, 87, of 433 Marvin Ave., Grinnell, died of cancer at his home Friday, Oct. 20.

The funeral mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell, with the Rev. Anthony G. Farrell, pastor of the church, and the Rev. Joseph H. Determan of San Antonio, Texas, officiating.

Music will be provided by Kathleen Heffner, organist, and members of St. Mary's choir. Pallbearers will be Richard and Timothy Fiscus and Andrew, Curtis, Christopher, Daniel, Donald, Eric, Michael and Raymond White. Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

The son of Richard Michael and Ellen Wiles White, he was born Jan. 8, 1902, near Vienna, Mo. Following his mother's death, the family moved to a farmstead in Buffalo, S.D., and he received his education in rural schools. He worked as a miner on gold and coal mines in Wyoming and South Dakota, then attended auto mechanic's school and worked for two years in Owensville, Mo. He moved to Marshall County in 1927 and worked on farms in the Haverhill area.

He was married to Antonia Determan Jan. 8, 1929, in Haverhill, and the couple farmed near Haverhill, Melbourne and Rhoades before moving to a farm in Rock Creek Township, Jasper County, where they farmed for 40 years, retiring in 1980 and moving to Grinnell.

Mr. White a member of St. Mary's Church and the Victor Grange. He was a former member of the National Farmers Organization.

Surviving are his wife; two daughters, Mary Ellen White of Grinnell and Ruth Ann Butler of Derwood, Md.; eight sons, Clair of Hyattsville, Md., Edward of Nashville, Tenn., David of Waterloo, Louis of Grayslake, Ill., Mark of Des Moines, Luke of Davenport, and Steven and Matthew, both of Maysville, Iowa; 27 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two infant sons, Willis and John; two grandchildren; one brother, Casper; and an infant sister.