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Rites held for Mr. Williams

Ralph D. Williams, 52, of Rte. 1, Barnes City, died Monday morning at Grinnell General Hospital.

Funeral services for Mr. Williams will be held at 1:30 p.m. today at the Barnes City Christian Church, with the Rev. Don Richards of Barnes City and the Rev. Doug Smiley of Pella officiating. Music will be provided by Mrs. Darwin Palmer, organist, and Mrs. Richard Gygi, vocalist. Pallbearers will be Francis Barkley, Harry Deucore, Ed Kerwin, Russell Kinzebach, Norman Stevens, and John Westercamp. Burial will be at Hazelwood Cemetery, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

The son of Zebulen and Lucy

Stevens Williams, he was born Feb. 17, 1924, near New Sharon. He attended school in Barnes City and was graduated from Barnes City High School.

On July 7, 1945, he was married to Berneice Innis in Grinnell. The couple lived and farmed near Barnes City since their marriage.

Mr. Williams is survived by his wife, Berneice; his five children, Dale Williams of Grinnell, Linda Pierce of What Cheer, Mrs. Robert (Susan) Towns of Barnes City, and Daryl and Daniel Williams, both of the family home; three grandchildren; and two brothers, Arthur Williams of Baltimore, Md., and Francis Williams of Barnes City.