

Vursel Martin 'Bud' Wright

Funeral services for Vursel Martin "Bud" Wright, 84, were held Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 28, 1996, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell. The Rev. Lon L. Lewis of the United Methodist Church in Grinnell officiated. Music was by Margaret Wheeler, organist, who accompanied Marty Duffus, singing "In the Garden" and "Amazing Grace."

Bud died August 26, 1996, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Pallbearers were Ralph Bohstedt, Pat Gallagher, Ray Lang, Harold Meeker, Kenneth "Pepper" Sanders and Bill Tinkle. Interment was in Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

The son of Thomas Sherman and Carrie Alice Low Wright, Bud was born Sept. 13, 1911, in Sheridan Township, Poweshiek County, Iowa. He was raised in Chester Township and attended rural school near his home.

He was married to Bessie Bryan Feb. 14, 1931, in Sully, and the couple continued farming in Chester Township until 1944, and then moved to their farmstead in Grant Township. He did seasonal work with Mithelman Construction and later Bohstedt Construction for many years and most recently with Kelm Pump Sales and Service. He was a member of the Grinnell United Methodist Church and a former member of the Isaac Walton League.

Bud enjoyed his life on the farm and tending to his livestock. His family was very cenral in his life and he enjoyed all the many hours shared with his children in their 4-H activities. He also enjoyed gardening, hunting, trout fishing, attending rodeos and traveling throughout the west.

He is survived by his wife, Bessie of Grinnell; one daughter, Barbara Wright of Petaluma, Calif., one son, Martin Wright of Grinnell; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Vaughn Wright; and six sisters, Verna Crooks, Vertie Shadden, Villard Howard, Violet Roop, Vesta Thompson, and Velece Wright.

Vursel Wright

Vursel "Bud" Wright, 84, 1632 Garfield Ave., Grinnell, died Monday, Aug. 26, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Lon Lewis, pastor of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, officiating. Organist was Margaret Wheeler, and soloist was Marty Duffus. Pallbearers were Ralph Bohstedt, Pat Gallagher, Ray Lang, Harold Meeker, Kenneth "Pepper" Saunders and Bill Tinkle.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

The son of Thomas Sherman and Carrie Alice Low Wright, he was born Sept. 13, 1911, in Sheridan Townships. He was raised in Chester Township and attended rural school.

On Feb. 14, 1931, he was married to Bessie Bryan in Sully. They farmed in Chester Township until 1944, then moved to a farmstead in Grant Township.

Mr. Wright did seasonal work with Mithelman Construction and later Bohstedt Construction. Most recently, he had worked for Kelm Pump Sales and Service. He was a member of the Grinnell United Methodist Church and a former member of the Izaak Walton League.

Surviving are his wife; one daughter, Barbara Wright of Petaluma, Calif.; and one son, Martin of Grinnell.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Vaughn; and six sisters, Verna Crooks, Vertie Shadden, Villard Howard, Violet Roop, Vesta Thompson and Velece Wright.

Memorial contributions in Mr. Wright's name may be made to the American Cancer Society, Grinnell Regional Medical Center or the Grinnell United Methodist Church.

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