

Funeral Services Conducted Today For Gael Burk, 51

Services were held this afternoon from the Smith Funeral home for Gael H. Burk, 51, who died early Saturday at the Veterans hospital in Des Moines.

Officiating was the Rev. C. E. Kingsley, pastor of First Baptist church, and organ music was furnished by Mrs. Kathieer Heffner. Pallbearers were Geo. Mowitt, George Hargrave, David Springer Jr., Paul Jantzen, James Scott, and Bill Ritter.

Honorary pallbearers were Ross Goutts, R. S. Kinsey, Edwin Pedersen, Frank Mitchell, James Webb, and Robert Brown. Flower bearers were Mrs. Geo. Hargrave and Mrs. Geo. Mowitt. Graveside services at Hazelwood cemetery were conducted by the Elks Lodge, Paul Jantzen, Exalted Ruler, and the American Legion, Jack Day, ceremonial officer.

Gael Burk was born in Grinnell Oct. 27, 1906. He attended the local schools and graduated from Grinnell high school in 1924. He lettered in athletics and was a member of the high school Honor O club.

On Nov. 15, 1934, he was united in marriage to Chris Wilson at Montezuma, who survives him. He served his country in World War II and was a member of Battery D, 883rd Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion.

Burk was a member of the Grinnell Elks Lodge 1286 for 30 years and a member of Focht-Tennant Post 53 of the Grinnell American Legion as well as the Forty and Eight.

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Gael Burk

(Contributed)

Gael Burk, son of John E. and Myrtle Burk, was born October 27, 1906, at Grinnell, Iowa. With the exception of a period of military service, he spent his entire life in the community of his birth.

He attended the Grinnell schools, graduating in 1924, and during his life he was a member of the Grinnell Honor G, the American Legion, 40 & 8 Voiture, and for 30 years a member of the Elks.

When a young man, Gael Burk united with the former Grinnell First Christian church, and later attended the First Baptist church.

On November 15, 1934, he was united in marriage to Clarissa Wilson, and they have made their home in Grinnell.

Gael Burk served his country during World War II as a member of the Army Anti Air-Craft

In the service, and in his home community, he loved life and maintained a deep respect for both human and natural life. He enjoyed serving his fellow-men, and as a cook and caterer, he often realized his ambition as he provided for others, young and old.

He remained active in life until about three months ago. Although he gave a spirit of happiness and patience, he found it necessary to enter Veterans hospital in Des Moines, Feb. 27. He passed away March 8, 1958, past 51 years of age.

He is survived by his companion of the home, two aunts, several cousins, five neices, and one nephew, all of whom he loved very much.

Funeral services were held at the Smith Funeral Home on

March 10th, with the Rev. C. E. Kingsley of the First Baptist church officiating. Mrs. Kathleen Heffner was organist.

Pallbearers were George Hargrave, Paul Jantzen, George Mowitt, Bill Ritter, James Scott, and David Springer, Jr. Honorary pallbearers were Robert Brown, Ross Coultts, R. S. Kinsey, Frank Mitchell, Edwin Pedersen and James Webb.

Flower bearers were Mrs. George Hargrave and Mrs. George Mowitt. Graveside services were conducted by BPOE Lodge 1266, Paul Jantzen, Exalted Ruler, and Focht-Tennant Post 53, American Legion, Jack Day, Ceremonial Officer.

Interment was at Hazelwood cemetery.