William R. Ketchen

William R. Ketchen, former teacher in the Vinton Community Schools and also the Mingo School, died Friday morning at the Soldiers Home in Marshalltown. He had been ill several years with multiple sclerosis.

He was born Dec. 12, 1915 at Emmetsburg, a son of William and Mabel Ketchen; was married June 23, 1940 to Ferne Carver, daughter of Harland and Blanche Carver of Collins.

He was a member of the Wesley United Methodist Church of Vinton; the Vinton Masonic Lodge A.F. and A.M. and the George G. Luckey Post #57 of the American Legion. He served in the Navy in W.W. II.

Surviving are his wife Ferne; one son John a student at the University of Iowa; two sisters and his parents. Preceding him in death was a daughter Suzanne.

Funeral services were held Monday morning at the church with Rev. Robert Phillips officiating.

Masonic rites were held at the Campbell Funeral Home Sunday evening.