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Given a partial linear space,  $S$ , the Veldkamp space of  $S$ , denoted  $\mathit{mathcal{V}}(S)$ , is defined using the geometric hyperplanes of  $S$ . In this talk, we will examine the forms the geometric hyperplanes of  $S$  can take when  $S$  is a finite generalized quadrangle and the cardinality of their pairwise intersections in order to understand how  $\mathit{mathcal{V}}(S)$  behaves. In general,  $\mathit{mathcal{V}}(S)$  does not possess desirable geometric attributes, so we focus on families of generalized quadrangles that impart some nice properties to their Veldkamp spaces. In particular, we consider the case when  $S$  is the generalized quadrangle  $W(q)$ , for  $q$  odd, and the case of its dual,  $Q(4, q)$ . Using a combinatorial approach, we will show that the Veldkamp space of  $W(q)$  is isomorphic to  $PG(3, q)$ . (Received March 03, 2020)