

AUGUST 26, 1965

Mrs. R.S. Alexander Rites Held Thursday

The funeral of Mrs. R. S. Alexander was held Thursday afternoon, August 19, at the Montezuma Methodist Church. The services were conducted by the Rev. Frank Jacobs. Music was provided by Mrs. R. W. Doonan, organist.

Interment was in Masonic-IOOF Cemetery with Roy Fleming, Adrian Sams, Hilbert Beebe, Loel Ferguson, Frank Wheeler and Raymond Johnson serving as casket bearers.

Mrs. Alexander was the daughter of Carrie and Edward Lortscher. She was born in What Cheer, Iowa, June 24, 1882 and died in a Grinnell hospital Tuesday, August 17. She was 83.

Mrs. Alexander graduated from the What Cheer schools and later taught in What Cheer for several years.

On June 24, 1903 she married Roy S. Alexander. They lived in What Cheer for several years and then moved to Montezuma where Mr. Alexander continued to operate a drug store.

Active in civic and church groups, Mrs. Alexander was a charter member of the Mother's Club, Past Matron of the Eastern Star, a Pythian Mother and charter member of the White Shrine in Oskaloosa. She served as financial secretary and was a member of the Official Board of the Methodist Church. She also had charge of the youth group for over 30 years, was a charter member of the WSCS, and was a long time Sunday School teacher.

Survivors include two sons, Ned and Joe of Montezuma; five grandchildren; and two sisters, Dot Lortscher and Mae Dietz of Davenport.

She was preceded in death by her husband, a son and one brother.