

Monday, September 22, 1969

Last Rites Said For Mrs. Ashby

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. today (Monday) at the Smith Funeral Home for Mrs. Lucille Stanley Ashby, 69, wife of Robert T. Ashby of Rte. 1, Grinnell, who died late Friday morning at her home following a lingering illness the past few months.

The Rev. Robert Gamble, minister of the Kellogg Methodist church, and the Rev. James Seibert, minister of the Murray Methodist church, officiated at the services. Mrs. Lucille Fritz was organist and Steven Fritz was vocalist.

Pallbearers were Robert W. Ashby, Earl Bryan, Maynard Durr, Lehl Fritz, Gus Kaisand and Myron White. Flower bearers were Mrs. Clair Baker, Mrs. Mary Heitink and Mrs. Mary Kaisand.

Burial was in the Bethel Cemetery.

Should friends desire, memorials may be in Mrs. Ashby's name to the Bethel Methodist church.

The daughter of Luther and Esther Rayl Stanley, Mrs. Ashby was born April 13, 1900 in Richland Township in Jasper County, Iowa. She attended the rural Black Oak school near her home and Lynnvilleville High School.

On March 12, 1919, she was married to Robert T. Ashby in Newton and to this marriage two children were born — Mrs. Wilbur (Mabel) Jackson of Rte. 2, Kellogg, and Stanley T. Ashby of Rte. 1, Kellogg.

Mrs. Ashby was a birthright member of the Sugar Creek Friends church and following her marriage she transferred her membership to the Bethel Methodist church. She was an active member of the church and was a member of the WSCS. Mrs. Ashby was a charter member of the Bethel Grange.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashby had lived on their present farm for more than 50 years.

Survivors include her husband, Robert T. Ashby; two children; four grandchildren — Larry T. Ashby, Connie Ashby, Danny Jackson and Craig Jackson; two brothers — Myrlin Stanley of Newton and Ralph Stanley of Gilman; two sisters — Miss Dessell Stanley of Grinnell and Mrs. William (Velma) Burnham of Grinnell, and several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Ashby was preceded in death by her parents, one granddaughter, Carolyn Lucille Ashby and two brothers—Orville Stanley in 1948 and one brother in infancy.