

IOWA, FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 1934.

An Obituary Of Mrs. Blankenfeld

Amelia Augusta Blankenfeld was born Oct. 1, 1850, in West Prussia, Germany, the daughter of Jacob and Anna Cutcher Block. She came to America May 4, 1871, and was married to David Frederick Blankenfeld Oct. 28, 1872, at Geneseo, Ill., from where the two later moved to Iowa and there spent most of their active life on the farm. On March 1, 1918, together with her two sons and a daughter, Anna, Mrs. Blankenfeld moved to 1421 Elm street in Grinnell. Her husband and son, Frank, and daughter, Clara, had already passed to the Great Beyond. Her daughter, Anna, soon followed.

Mrs. Blankenfeld passed away at 9:45 Sunday morning, May 27, 1934. The immediate cause of her death was pneumonia. She is survived by her two sons, Jacob F. Blankenfeld of 1226 Summer street, and Henry, who lived with her, a daughter, Mrs. A. C. Rivers, two grandsons, Frederick Rivers and Ernest Blankenfeld, and three granddaughters, Grace, Blanche, and Joyce Blankenfeld. The children were all with her when she passed away.

Mrs. Blankenfeld reached the ripe age of 83 years, 7 months, and 27 days. In her girlhood she was confirmed in the Lutheran faith. While living in Scott township, she and Mr. Blankenfeld took an active part, in the year 1888, in or-

ganizing the first church in their locality, which was of the Methodist faith. She joined that church and was a devout worker.

Mrs. Blankenfeld will be remembered by her children, because of the love that she manifested in the home. She spent her life in the home, making it a pleasant place for her husband and children to live in, giving it an atmosphere that will linger long in the minds of her children and those who knew her.

Her favorite hymns, "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," "Nearer My God to Thee" and "In the Sweet Bye and Bye" were very beautifully rendered by Mrs. Roscoe Dempster and Mrs. John Carter.

Pallbearers were Frank Blackgar, Albert Nutting, Charles Keener, Martin Eichhorn, James McKee and Wilford Smiley.

Funeral services were held from the Methodist church in Grinnell Tuesday afternoon. Her former pastor, Rev. W. S. Kight of Des Moines, Ia., preached the sermon. Rev. Arnold Thalacker, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, was in charge of the service, assisted by Rev. H. S. Wilkinson, D. D., pastor of Methodist church of Grinnell.

Burial was in Ivy Hill cemetery of Malcom.