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OBITUARY

E. W. BORTELL

E. W. Bortell, son of William and Susan Noon Bortell, was born on a farm in Juniata County, Pennsylvania, October 16, 1867, and passed away following a long illness in Grinnell, Iowa October 13, 1954, just three days before being 87 years of age.

In 1871, at four year of age, he came with his parents to the vicinity of Grinnell where he spent the rest of his life. He farmed for many years and was employed for some time in the construction of bridges in Poweshiek County.

In 1895 he was married to Della Gorsuch, and to this union two sons were born. Mrs. Bortell passed away in 1927. Two sisters, Laura Hayes and Kate Neely preceeded him in death.

He leaves to mourn his passing, the two sons, Clyde L. Bortell of the home here in Grinnell, Donald C. Bortell of Riverside, California; two grandsons, Keith and Richard, and two sisters, Mrs. Hattie Bump of Clear Lake and Mrs. Maude Davis of Grinnell.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon October 16, 2 p. m. in the Smith Funeral Home with Rev. C. E. Kingsley, officiating. Burial was in Blue Point cemetery.

At the final rites, organ selections were played by Mrs. Rhee Auman. Pallbearers were Eldon Dexter, Glen Dexter, John Jackson, Dess Martin, Harold Schooley and Howard Hyde.