

Monday, August 21, 1961

OBITUARY

SARAH SWAFFORD BYRD
(Contributed)

Sarah Ella Swafford, daughter of Wilford and Rhoda Elliott Swafford was born October 14, 1893 in Cullison, Kansas. She received her education in the Friends Academy in Haviland, Kansas, from which she was graduated in 1913.

On June 10, 1914, in Haviland she was married to the Rev. Carl D. Byrd who was a pastor in the Friends church. They had served pastorates in Kansas, Oklahoma, Iowa, California, and Oregon. Following his retirement a year ago they had made their home in Marshalltown. Mrs. Byrd was active in all organizations of the church and in various musical departments. She was well known as a vocal soloist.

Preceding her in death was a daughter in infancy. Surviving are her widower, Carl D. Byrd, three sons, Wendell Byrd and Harold Byrd of Marshallton, Robert Byrd of Montezuma, two daughters, Mrs. Fred Wyman of Washington, D.C. and Mrs. George Porter of Marshalltown. Also surviving are eight grandchildren, four sisters and three brothers.

Funeral services were held Monday, August 14th, in the Friends church in Marshalltown in charge of Rev. Norval Smith and Rev. Wayne Allman. Mr. Maurice Griggs sang "Abide With Me" and "When I've Gone The Last Mile of The Way." He was accompanied by Mrs. Lynn Ellis. Pallbearers were Wendell Collins, Edward Ferrins, Dr. P. L. Collins, Maurice Collins, Elmer Ferrins and Robert Lampman. Interment was in Riverside cemetery at Marshalltown.