

James Cooper Rites Conducted Monday

The funeral of James Cooper was conducted by the Rev. John Hansel Monday afternoon, Jan. 3, from the Steffy Funeral Home with burial in Jackson Township Cemetery. Soloist at the service was William Rempp accompanied by Miss Alice Underwood, organist.

Serving as casket bearers were: Cliff Smith, Donald Crider, William Rempp, Dwight Purdum, Lauren Wright and Laurel Dieterich.

Mr. Cooper, 90, died Saturday, Jan. 1.

James Alexander Cooper, the son of James and Barbara Anderson Cooper, was born on Jan. 24, 1875, on a farm in Pleasant Township, north of Ewart, where he grew to manhood.

On Dec. 25, 1899, he married Rosa Andrews. To this union two sons were born. Most of their married life was spent in the Montezuma community except for 12 years spent on a farm near Fillmore, Saskatchewan, Canada. Mrs. Cooper died Dec. 28, 1960.

Early in life he joined the Methodist Church at Ewart. After returning from Canada he transferred his membership to the Christian Church

in Montezuma where he was a faithful member until failing health prevented his attending.

He was preceded in death by his wife and two sisters, Jeannie Ann Cooper and Mrs. Alice McLain.

He is survived by his two sons, William A. Cooper of Van Nuys, Calif., and Virgil J. Cooper with the armed services on Okinawa; three sisters, Mrs. Ella Long and Miss Mary Cooper of Grinnell, and Mrs. Alma Johnson of Union, Iowa; seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.