

Monday, October 26, 1959

Requiem Mass Held Today For Mrs. Cunningham

Requiem High Mass was held this morning at St. Mary's Catholic Church for Mrs. Marcella Cunningham, who died Friday evening at a local hospital.

Mrs. Cunningham, 39, was the wife of Earl Cunningham. She had been suffering from a lingering illness for the past 10 months. The Rev. L. V. Kuebrich, pastor of the local church, presided at the Requiem Mass. Rosary services were also held Sunday evening. Burial will be at Menasha, Wis.

Menasha was Mrs. Cunningham's birthplace. She was the daughter of Frank and Pauline Koschney Spilski, and was born August 26, 1920. She received her education in St. John's Parochial School and graduated from Menasha high school. She then attended Oshkosh Business college.

Mrs. Cunningham and her husband were married on February 22, 1940 in Davenport. They had 11 children, 10 of whom survive and reside in the family home. They are Naomi Jean, Denise Ellen, Kathleen Ann, Earl Dean, Susan Kay, twins Arlan Lee and Allen Lee, Glen Joseph, Marla Jean and Sally Jo. The other child, Marsha Lynn, died in infancy.

The family lived in Davenport and Lynnville before moving to Grinnell 3½ years ago. Mrs. Cunningham was a member of St. Mary's church.

Other survivors include Mrs. Cunningham's parents, husband and one brother and one sister: Joseph Spilski and Mrs. Viles (Theresa) Smaltz, both of Menasha.