

OBITUARY

MARTHA SUE FOSTER
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Martha Sue Foster, daughter of Joseph B. Hays and Mary Margareth Albaugh Hays, was born May 21, 1880, and died from a heart attack on the 11th of January, 1958, at Community hospital, reaching the age of 77 years, 7 months and 20 days.

She was united in marriage to A. Clifford Foster in 1903, who preceded her in death in 1923.

Mrs. Foster attended school in Iowa and was graduated from the Grinnell high school. She also taught school both in Sheridan and Chester townships.

Her experiences were many, and we wish to mention some of her activities. While at Loveland, Colo., she operated a millinery shop; then after moving to Olathe, Colo., where her husband passed away, she became postmistress and kept that office for eight years. Later on she returned to Iowa and operated a country store at Chester. Again she turned westward and settled in Portland, Ore., living at the home of her son while working as an expeditor in the Kaiser shipyards. Finally she returned for good to her home state, purchasing a house in Grinnell.

A fall in 1956 caused her to be hospitalized, and for two years she was confined to the hospital.

The following survive her departure: her son, Joseph H. of Portland; two sisters, Mary Blanche Tice of Grinnell and Kathryn Meeker of Denver, as well as several nieces and nephews, and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and an infant son.

Memorial services were held Tuesday, January 14, from the Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. G. S. Bruland officiating. Music was provided by Mrs. Rhee Auman.

Pallbearers were Ray Brubaker, Merle Harris, Raymond Harris, Max Hays, Tracy Lidtka, and Richard Scars.

Interment was at Chester cemetery.

A. Clifford Foster