

Mrs. Godfrey, Rites Held ^{10/26/72}

Mary Emily Godfrey, 88, of Grinnell, the widow of Thomas Godfrey, died Thursday evening at St. Francis Manor.

The daughter of Ralph and Ann Cork Eaton, she was born in Salford near Manchester, England, Feb. 13, 1884. She was the youngest of 11 children who with their parents preceded her in death. She attended the day school in Salford and was a member of the Wesleyan

Methodist Sunday School and Church in Salford.

On Nov. 13, 1906, she was married to Thomas Godfrey at the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Salford. The couple had nine children: William Godfrey of Oklahoma City, Okla.; Mrs. F.D. (Jessie) Robertson of Commerce City, Colo.; Ralph Godfrey of El Reno, Okla.; Mrs. Glen (Hilda) Wilson of Ottumwa; Mrs. S.H. (Alma May) Haunsperger of Kellogg; John Thomas Godfrey of Fort Worth, Tex.; Mrs. Royce (Betty Ann) Renaud of Denver, Colo.; and Arnold Eaton and Roy Eaton Godfrey who died in infancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey moved to Grinnell in 1910. Mr. Godfrey was a former mayor of Grinnell. Mrs. Godfrey was a member of the First Baptist Church of Grinnell, the VFW Auxiliary, Past Noble Grand Rebekah Lodge No. 119, and Canton John R. Lewis No. 59 of Patriarch Militant IOOF Auxiliary. She retained her membership in the First Baptist Church during her absence while she made her home in Ottumwa with her son-in-law and daughter, Glen and Hilda Wilson.

In March of this year, Mrs. Godfrey returned to Grinnell to make her home at St. Francis Manor.

She is survived by her seven children; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; a brother-in-law, John Kinnaird of Green Forest, Ark.; and nieces and nephews in America and England. She was preceded in death by her husband, two sons, her brothers and sisters, and one granddaughter, Joyce Renaud.

Funeral services for Mrs. Godfrey were held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 30, at the First Baptist Church, with the Rev. Hugh A. Shiveley, pastor of the church, officiating. Organist was Mrs. Willard Heffner. Flowerbearers were Mrs. Willima C. French and Mrs. Howard Kydd. Pallbearers were Edgar Curl, Clarence Doud, Albert Klop-penborg, Edward McNally, Elmer Thompson, and Carter Tucker.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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