

## An Obituary Of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Innis

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Martha Elizabeth Innis, daughter of James and Mary Riddle, was born August 9, 1856, in Clinton county, Kentucky, and passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Eugene Dewey, on Sunday morning, July 15, 1934, aged 77 years, 11 months and six days.

She was one of a family of ten children, six girls and four boys, of whom two sisters, Mrs. Allen Carter and Mrs. Zetta Stockton of Clinton county, Kentucky; and three brothers, John Wesley Riddle of Clinton county, Kentucky; Sherod of Springfield, Ill. and W. R. Riddle of Grinnell survive her.

She was married to William Mattison Innis, March 5, 1884. Mr. Innis died four months ago, on March 2, just three days before they would have been married fifty years.

Ten children were born to them, five of whom died in infancy; those living and present at the funeral are Reuben of Grinnell; Mrs. John Burnett of Cameron, Mo.; Tilford of Grinnell; Mrs. Claud Dewey of Easton, Mo., and Mrs. Eugene Dewey of Grinnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Innis made their home in Kentucky until 1901, when they moved to Missouri. They came to Grinnell in 1916 and were living in their home on West street at the time of their deaths.

They united with the Methodist church in Kentucky, but since living in Grinnell have been members of the Friends church. She was interested in the church, was faithful and loyal, attending the services whenever able to go. Her health had been poor for the last few years.

She had expressed herself as ready and willing, even anxious to go since the going of her husband. She always welcomed visitors in her home, had many friends, was very devoted to her family, and enjoyed the company of her grandchildren. She was cheerful and happy, bearing bravely her sorrow.

The old home had just been sold and she had gone to spend a few days in her daughter's home, where she was taken suddenly ill with a heart attack, and had slipped away before a doctor arrived, being sick less than an hour. Her health had been better recently, and she rode up town Saturday evening.

She leaves to mourn her departure her five children, 33 grandchildren, five great grandchildren, three brothers, two sisters and many other relatives and friends.

One brother, W. K. Riddle, had made his home with them for over 30 years.

The funeral was in charge of Carrie A. Butler, assisted by Rev. Chase McPherson and Rev. Robert Lincoln, at the First Friends church at 2:00 o'clock July 17, 1934.

Miss Anna Mac Schooley and Miss Jane Huff, accompanied by Mrs. Chase McPherson, sang three numbers: "The Old Rugged Cross," "There'll Be No Disappointment in Heaven," and "My Home, Sweet Home."

The pallbearers were William Schooley, John Russell, William Watkins, Lawrence Ballard, C. N. Greene and William McDowell.

The body was laid to rest in Hazelwood.