

(EDWARD H.)

## Rites Held For Mrs. Ella Johnson

Funeral services for Montezuma's oldest resident, Mrs. Ella Johnson, were conducted by the Rev. Lester Hall at the Steffy Funeral Home at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 10. The organist was Mrs. Steven Van Dee.

Casket bearers were Quentin Rose, Howard Hicks, Charles Johnston, Clifford Hicks, Cecil Cranston and Burdette Cranston. Burial was at Golden Rod Cemetery, Deep River.

Mrs. Johnson, 97, died Sunday, March 8, at Grinnell.

The daughter of Richard and Jane Baird Johnston, she was born Aug. 12, 1872, at Brooklyn. She grew up on a farm four miles north of Deep River.

On Oct. 15, 1895, she married Edward H. Johnson of Bloomfield and to this union six children were born: Ray, Virgil, Neva, Cleo, Mary and Jennie.

She was a member of the Deep River Presbyterian Church and for the past two years she lived at the Baird Nursing Home in Montezuma. Mr. Johnson died in 1917.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Cleo Cronacher of

Clinton and Mrs. Jennie Dearinger of Lynnville; 13 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.