

FEBRUARY 13, 1969

## Ada Johnston Rites Held At Deep River

Services for Mrs. Ada Johnston were conducted by the Rev. James Seeber at the Deep River Methodist Church on Tuesday, February 11, at 11 a.m. Mrs. Charles Norris was the organist.

Casket bearers were Forrest McLain, Gerald Baustian, Burdette Cranston, Jack Johnston, Charles Gillaspie and Vern Cheney. Interment was at Golden Rod Cemetery.

Mrs. Johnston, 86, passed away Saturday, February 8, at the Friendship Manor, Grinnell.

The daughter of Alvin B. and Nancy Baltz Butler, she was born Jan. 13, 1883, near Barnes City. She attended rural schools. On Jan. 13, 1909, she was united in marriage with Thomas A. Johnston. They moved to a farm north of Deep River and lived in the area most of their lives except for a short time during World War I when they moved to Rock Island, Ill., while Mr. Johnston was employed at the Arsenal. Their only child, Melvin Burdette, was born in Rock Island.

About 25 years ago they moved to Deep River where they lived until Mrs. Johnston moved to Friendship Manor.

She was a member of the Methodist Church, Order of Eastern Star and American Legion Auxiliary.

She is survived by her son, Burdette, his wife, Fern, two granddaughters, Pamela and Vicki; four sisters-in-law, Della Butler, Clara Hicks, Abbie Carmichael and Maggie Johnston; and several nieces and nephews.

## DEEP RIVER, IOWA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1969

### Ada Johnston, 86, Buried Here Feb. 11

Ada E., daughter of Alvin B. and Nancy Baltz Butler, was born Jan. 13, 1883, near Barnes City, Iowa, and departed this life on Feb. 8, 1969 at Friendship Manor, Grinnell, Iowa, at the age of eighty-six years and twenty-six days.

She attended rural school and remained in her home near Barnes City until Jan. 13, 1909, when she was united in marriage with Thomas A. Johnston. They moved to a farm north of Deep River, where they remained most of their lives. For a short time during World War I they lived in Rock Island, Illinois, where he was employed at the Arsenal. While residing in Rock Island, their only child, a son, Melvin Burdette, was born.

Approximately twenty-five years ago, they moved to Deep River, where they lived until she was compelled to move to Friendship Manor, due to failing health.

Ada was an active member of the Deep River Methodist Church; the Order of the Eastern Star and the American Legion Auxiliary, as long as she was able to attend.

Mrs. Johnston was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, four brothers and her twin sister, Vada Hollingsworth.

She is survived by her son, Burdette, his wife, Fern, two granddaughters, Pamela and Vicki; four sisters-in-law, Della Butler, Clara Hicks, Abbie Carmichael and Maggie Johnston; several nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Services were held Feb. 11 at 11:00 a.m. in the Methodist Church at Deep River, with Rev. Mr. James Seeber officiating. Rev. Seeber, Soloist, accompanied by Mrs. Charles Norris at the organ.

Casketbearers were: Vern Cheney, Forrest McLain, Burdette Cranston, Jack Johnston, Gerald Baustian and Charles Gillaspie. Interment was in Golden Rod Cemetery at Deep River, Iowa.