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Ella A. Long services held

Ella A. Long, 97, died Sunday, May 16, at St. Francis Manor East.

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the James Schalinke Funeral Home, with the Rev. John W. McCallum, pastor, of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, officiating. Music was provided by Mrs. Booker Kiner, organist, and Mr. and Mrs. Emil Gerard, vocalists. Pallbearers were George German, Kenneth Long, Larry Long, W. H. Noel, Don Souter, and Clair Wells. Burial was at Pleasant Township Cemetery at Ewart.

Should friends desire, memorials in Mrs. Long's name may be made to the Grinnell United Methodist Church.

The daughter of James and Barbara Cooper, she was born June 10, 1878, on a farm near Ewart in Pleasant Township. She attended public schools in Poweshiek County. After the death of her mother, she remained at home and helped care for the younger members of the family.

On Feb. 14, 1900, she was married to James A. Long. For several years, they lived on farms in the Ewart, Malcom and Montezuma vicinities. They retired in 1945 and moved to Grinnell.

After her husband's death, Mrs. Long continued living at her home at 712 First Ave. until her health failed. Last fall, after spending a month in the hospital, she moved to St. Francis Manor.

She was a member of the Methodist church and the W.C.T.U.

Survivors include two sons, Lester of Des Moines and Francis of Long Beach, Calif.; 10 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Alma Johnson of Friendship Manor.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her step-mother, Bella Cooper; her husband in 1955; a daughter, Mary Lucille Willson in 1954; a son, Lawrence, in 1957; a grandson; one great-grandson; a brother, James Cooper Jr.; and three sisters, Jeannie in childhood, Mrs. Alice McLain, and Mary Cooper.

James Andrew