

James Marsden Funeral Rites Set For Friday

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Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at the Methodist church for James Marsden, 75, who died suddenly while attending an IOOF lodge meeting at Searsboro Monday.

He is survived by his wife, Florence, two sons, Frank of Decatur, Ill., and Ernest of Los Angeles and a daughter, Margaret Marsden of Grinnell. Also surviving are three grandchildren, one great-grandchild, two sisters, Lydia Jone and Sarann Eite, both of England, and two brothers, Walter of England and George of Ben Lomond, Calif.

Son of the late Job George Marsden and Sarah Fitton Marsden, he was born May 9, 1881 at Salford, England. He married Florence Godfrey in Salford, England, Dec. 26, 1903. A daughter, Edna Kirstein, preceded him in death.

He had lived in Grinnell for 49 years, coming here from England. He was employed as a master mechanic for the Green Colonial Furnace company of Des Moines. He was active in Odd Fellows lodge work and was president and teacher of the Bob Coutts class of the Methodist church.

Officiating at the services will be the Rev. John DeLong and the Rev. C. E. Kingsley. Burial will be in Hazelwood cemetery with the Smith funeral home in charge of arrangements.

Music will be provided by Mrs. Rhee Auman and Mrs. Dolph Miller. Pallbearers will be Ellis Brown, Ed McNally, Myron Millhollin, Paul Parish, Frank Ritter and Clair Strand. Flower bearers will be Mrs. Jayne Skidmore and Miss Lillian Stowe.