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January 12, 1988

Sarah Mehlin services held

Sarah E. Mehlin, 88, of 1920 Sixth Ave., Grinnell, died Sunday, Jan. 8, at Iowa Lutheran Hospital in Des Moines.

The Funeral Mass was celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell, with the Rev. E. William Kaska of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Newton officiating. Organist was Kathleen Heffner. Pallbearers were John Andes, Loren Bunnell, Bill Dee, Randy Durr, Van Hotchkin and Mark Wells.

Memorials may be made to St. Mary's Church Altar and Rosary Society.

The daughter of Joseph and Flora Barkman Speckner, she was born Jan. 3, 1901, at Seymour, Ind. She was educated in Seymour.

She was married to Leslie T. Mehlin Oct. 11, 1922, in Grinnell. The couple farmed near Brooklyn and Garwin Township to farm. They retired in 1968 and moved to Grinnell.

Mrs. Mehlin was a member of St. Mary's Church and the Altar and Rosary Society of the church. She was also a member of the Grinnell General Hospital Auxiliary.

Survivors include her husband, Leslie; four daughters, Doris Campbell of Houston, Texas, Mary Alice Wells of Davenport, Addie Kaisand of Newton and Joan Lemke of Grinnell; 13 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Alma Gil of Grinnell. She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Inez Schrenk and Reova Speckman; and four brothers, Leo, John, Alpha and Willard Speckner.

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