

OBITUARY

ANNA ELSCOTT MONSMA
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(Contributed)

Anna Elscott Monsma, daughter of Henry E. and Jennie Elscott, was born in Sully, Iowa, July 13, 1891.

Practically her entire life was spent near Sully, Taintor and Lynnville. It was in Sully that as a young lady of 21 years she was united in marriage to Dirk Monsma, with whom she was permitted 21 years prior to his home-going in April, 1939.

Three children came to this union, one of whom was married at the time of her father's passing, the other two, one in his teens and the third in his youth were left to the care and supervision of the widowed mother.

Their children are, one daughter, (Noia), Mrs. Glenn VanderKrol of Sully, two sons, Dwight Monsma of Altoona, Ia., and Gordon Monsma of Denver, Colo.

Anna Monsma was converted when a girl of 15 and what that meant to her in confidence and trust could best be told by the testimony given within the last month of her life. This was a shining witness to the saving and keeping power of Jesus Christ the Lord, and a desire to know more of Him through the reading of the Scriptures, which she was unable now to do, and through prayer.

She fell victim to the ravages of illness only last December but its work was swift and her body was unable to withstand the quickness and viciousness of the malady. She slept quietly away and went to be with the Lord at approximately 6 o'clock Thursday morning, Feb. 13. Her age was 60 years, 7 months.

In addition to her three children she is survived by 7 grandchildren, Dorothy, Keith, Jerry and Judy VanderKrol and Denny, Ronny and Tommy Monsma. Also her mother, Mrs. Jennie Elscott, 84, of Sully, three brothers, Charles and Harry Elscott of Lynnville and Guy Elscott of Pella; four sisters, Mrs. Artie Jansen of Sully, Mrs. Henrietta Jansen of Pella, Mrs. Katherine Stanley of Lynnville, and Mrs. Janet Wooge of Des Moines.

Funeral services were held in the Lynnville Friends church Feb. 15 at 1:30 p.m. in charge of the Rev. J. S. Green of Des Moines, Rev. Donald Wooge of Reasnor and Rev. Carl D. Byrd. Mrs. Howard Macy accompanied Warren Stanley, Homer McDowell, Lyle Brand and Jake Brand, who sang "In Tenderness He Sought Me" and "Sweetly Resting." Palbearers, all nephews, were Glen Elscott, Carroll Elscott, Wayne Jansen, Delmar Jansen, Dale Jansen and Lester Elscott. Interment was in Sully cemetery.