Mr. McDowell Services Today

Alfred R. McDowell, 81, died Friday afternoon at the Lawn City Nursing Home in Cedar Falls, following an extended illness.

The son of William and Mary Houck McDowell, he was born Nov. 12, 1900, in Grinnell and attended the rural schools in the Oak Grove Community.

He was married to Mabel Beeler Jan. 26, 1915, and since his marriage had farmed in the Oak Grove Community until he retired in 1967. He continued to live on his farm until his health failed him, then moved to Cedar Falls to be near his daughter. He had lived there since last winter.

Mr. McDowell was a member of the Oak Grove Friends Church and a charter member of the Farm Bureau.

Survivors include his wife, Mabel, his daughter, Mrs. James (Margaret) Barron of Cedar Falls; six grandchildren, Richard, James, Clark, Debra, Susan, and Jeanie Barron; one great-granddaughter, Kelly Jo Barron, a sister, Helen Norrman of California; a step-sister, Lucille White of Chicago; his brothers, Arthur and Carl of Grinnell; Leslie of Keystone, and Charles of Amarillo, Tex.; two step-sons, Keith of Scotia, Wash., and Kenneth of Bethany, Okla. He was preceded in death by his parents, an infant son, Wilbur; an infant daughter, Dorothy; a sister, Bertha; and his brothers, William, Earl, and Earl.

Funeral services for Mr. McDowell were held at 2 p.m. today Monday at the James Schuhke Funeral Home. Mr. McDowell's brother, the Rev. Charles McDowell, and the Rev. Tom Good officiated. Organist was Kathleen Hoffner, and serving on the flower committee were Mrs. Doris Lowry and Mrs. Eldie Price. Pallbearers included Harold Whitaker, Bernard Simmons, Gaylord Dempster, Willie Lavin, Tom Lowry, and Leonard White.

Burial was in Hazeldon Cemetery.