Rites Held for Mr. McFerren

Funeral services for Ralph McFerren, 92, a retired Montezuma farmer, were held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Steffy Funeral Home in Montezuma, with burial in the Masonic-I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Mr. McFerren died Wednesday, Sept. 23, at Grinnell General Hospital.

The son of John and Mary Patterson McFerren, he was born Jan. 10, 1881, on the family farm north of Montezuma. He was graduated from Montezuma High School and attended the former Iowa State College in Ames for two years. He worked for a time in Colorado, then returned to his farm which he operated until his retirement.

He was married to the former Margaret Henly on Oct. 4, 1907.

Survivors include two sons, Ernest of rural Montezuma and Edgar of Fond Du Lac, Wis.; a daughter, Lenore McFerren Barnes of Malcom; four grandchildren, Patricia Davis, Michael McFerren, Jeannie Sherwood, and Jack E. Barnes; and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, who died in 1945; his parents; and two brothers, Ernest and Frank.