

DEATH CLOSES USEFUL LIFE

(HUGH)

7-13-1926
Mrs. Hugh McIlrath Is Called After 82
Years of Love and
Service.

FUNERAL SERVICES WERE
HELD ON SATURDAY.

Conducted by Rev. J. I. Frederick As-
sisted by Rev. E. M. Vittum and
Rev. W. E. Paul.

Funeral services for Mrs. Hugh Mc-
Ilrath were held at the McIlrath home
on north West street Saturday after-
noon at one o'clock, with Rev. J. I.
Frederick of the Presbyterian church
in charge and Rev. E. M. Vittum and
Rev. W. E. Paul of Minneapolis, a
nephew of Mrs. McIlrath assisting.

One song was sung by Mrs. George
D. McIlrath, "Shall We Gather at the
River." This same song has been
sung before at the funerals of Mr.
McIlrath, and the deceased children,
Mary, Grace and Elizabeth. Burial
was at Laurel with short services
at the grave. Pall bearers were sons
of Mrs. McIlrath.

Elizabeth Paul was born in Bally-
menia, County Antrim, Ireland, in
1844 and passed away at her home in
Grinnell, July 8, 1926. She was the
eldest of eleven children, three broth-
ers and one sister surviving her. She
was married to Hugh McIlrath Octo-
ber 17, 1861 and in 1875 they came to
America, and first settled on a farm in
Jasper County. They then lived at
Laurel until 1900 when they moved to
Grinnell where they have made their
home since. Twelve children were
born to this union, nine of whom are
still living. Mr. McIlrath passed away
June 9, 1919, and three children, Mary,
Grace and Elizabeth are also deceas-
ed.

She leaves to mourn her loss be-
sides her children, a brother, J. L.
Paul who lives in Gilman, a sister,
Mrs. Margaret Caskey of Chicago, and
two brothers in Ireland.

Of all the family, including grand-
children and great-grandchildren, all
were here to attend the funeral except
Silvia McIlrath, a grand-daughter.
Those present from out of town in-
cluded her son George of Kansas City,
her son Will from Radville, Sask.,
Canada, and relatives from Laurel,
Gilman and Montezuma.