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Rites Held for ¹⁹⁷² Mary Neff, 74 ~~(Martin)~~

Mary Neff, 74, of 1132 Main St., died late Thursday afternoon at St. Francis Manor.

The daughter of Charles E. and Nevada Martin Neff, she was born Nov. 12, 1897, near Hedrick, Iowa. She attended rural school near Hedrick and was graduated from Hedrick High School. She attended William Penn College and came to Grinnell in 1923 to operate a beauty shop for 10 years. In recent years she was a nurse's aide at the former Community Hospital and for 12 years was a surgical aide at the former St. Francis Hospital.

Miss Neff is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Lulu Bennett and Mrs. Alice Priest, both of Grinnell, and Mrs. Carroll Harriett Rinden of Marshalltown; one brother, Eugene Neff of Cedar Rapids; two nieces; four nephews; and several cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Lois Neff, who died in infancy, and Mrs. Mildred Cessna; and two brothers, William Harold Sam Neff and Frank Neff.

Funeral services for Miss Neff were held at 3:30 p.m. Saturday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Ralph Beebe of the Mayflower Home officiating. Organist was Mrs. Willard Heffner. Pallbearers were Robert Maring, Jack Mathews, Waldo Paul, Earl Mitchell, Alvin Sheeler, and Bill Werneburg.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.