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**Robert Ocheltree, 74,  
Longtime Farmer  
in Guernsey Area**

Robert Gilland Ocheltree, son of George and Hattie Myerly Ocheltree, was born at Deep River, October 13, 1886, and died at his farm home near Guernsey, Feb. 25, 1961, at the age of 74 years, 4 months and 12 days. He had been failing in health for the last several years.

In boyhood he lived with his parents near Carnsforth and Victor. On March 15, 1911 he was united in marriage to Blanche Johnson. They lived at Carnsforth two years and then made their home for the past 48 years on the farm.

Surviving are his wife, Blanche, two brothers, Vern, Victor and Chalmers, Elgin, Ill.; six sisters, Bertha Price, Victor, Elva Lopley, Victor, Lena Mikesell, Victor, Emma Rossman, Aitkin, Minn., Bernice Crmiston, Hartwick and Margaret Lanning, Denver, Colo.; and a number of nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was baptized by the Rev. Burdine and became a member of the Guernsey Methodist church in 1915. Later he transferred to the Presbyterian church at Deep River. He was a Sunday School superintendent for many years and an elder of the church. He was a 53 year member of the Odd Fellows, a Past Noble Grand of the Rebekah Lodge, and affiliated with the Masons, Eastern Star, Patriarch, Matriarch and a member of the Royal Purple. He attended as long as his health permitted. He enjoyed flowers.

Funeral services were held at the McAninch Chapel, Victor, Iowa, Tuesday, Feb. 28 at 2 p.m. with the Rev. C. E. Burdine officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Icendice sang "How Great Thou Art" and "Face to Face" with Mrs. George Keller as organist.

Caring for the flowers were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Norden, Mrs. William Schmidt, and Mrs. Florence Grabn. Pallbearers were William Schmidt, Otto Dietze, George Norden, Howard Hicks, Lynn Buske, and Raymond Stoker. Burial was in the Guernsey cemetery.