

H R August 4, 1980

Florence Olson rites today

Florence M. Olson, 81, died late Thursday, July 31, at the Crestview Manor nursing home in Webster City.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. today at the Stavanger Friends Church near Dunbar, with the Rev. Keith Briggs of the Grinnell First Friends Church and the Rev. Tom Klaus of the Stavanger Friends Church officiating. Organist will be Mabel Carlson, and vocalist will be Stanley Tow. Pallbearers will be Ralph Coppock, James Coulter, Edward Heng, Truman Rosedale, Kenneth Tow, and John Vance.

Burial will be at the Stavanger Church Cemetery, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

The daughter of William and Anna Roseland Test, she was born Oct. 28, 1898. She attended Scattergood School in West Branch, and following her education she worked for several farm families, particularly the Cyrus Tow family near Dysart.

On April 10, 1918, she was

married to Jesse O. Olson at Marion. Following Mr. Olson's discharge from the service in World War II, the couple farmed near Dunbar, then moved to a farm near Grinnell where they lived for 34 years. In 1964, they moved to Gilman.

Mrs. Olson was a member of the Stavanger Friends Church. She had been employed at the Grinnell Livestock Exchange for several years. After becoming ill three years ago, she lived for a time in Marshalltown before moving to Webster City eight months ago to be near her family.

Survivors include her son, Dale R. Olson of Webster City; four grandchildren; a great-grandson; and a sister, Mrs. Gertrude West of Paullina.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Betty Jean, in 1948; her husband in 1970; a grandson in infancy; two sisters, Helen Strader and Bertha Bringham; two brothers, Harold and Carl Test; a half-sister, Cora Tow; and a half-brother, Howard Test.

Jesse O.