

Elizabeth Peak Rites Friday

6-18-74



Elizabeth Peak

Mrs. Elizabeth Peak, 90, of Rte. 3, Grinnell, the widow of James Peak, died late Tuesday evening, June 18, at St. Francis Manor.

The daughter of Edward and Jane Mills Bennett, she was born March 25, 1884, in Ballygown, County Down, Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Peak came to Grinnell on Nov. 6, 1909.

Mr. Peak was a carpenter and was responsible for creating and finishing out the interiors of several homes in Grinnell. In 1917, Mr. and Mrs. Peak began farming near Ewart and later in the Rock Creek, Gilman and Chester communities until Mr. Peak's death in June of 1955. Mrs. Peak continued to make her home north of Grinnell until 2½ years ago when she moved to St. Francis Manor.

She was a member of the First United Presbyterian Church in Grinnell.

Survivors include five children and two step-children, Edward B. Peak of Grinnell, Mrs. Harvey (Margaret) Harris of Grinnell, Mrs. Virgil (Regina) Johnson of Grinnell, William Peak of Grinnell, John Peak of Grinnell, James Peak of Oak Forest, Ill., and Mrs. Ed (Mary Jane) Durr of Grinnell; 24 grandchildren; 65 great-grandchildren; six great-great-grandchildren; and her sister, Mrs. Margaret Bennett of Belfast. She was preceded in death by her husband, an infant son, two great-grandchildren, three brothers and five sisters.

Funeral services for Mrs. Peak will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Daniel Ogata, pastor of the Grinnell First United Presbyterian Church, officiating. Pallbearers will be Lloyd E. Durr, Henry H. Harris, Richard W. Johnson, Dale E. Peak, J. Raymond Peak and William E. Peak. Honorary pallbearers will be Thomas A. Harris, Donald L. Durr, Edward L. Peak, Jack T. Peak, James E. Peak IV, and Robert W. Peak. Flowerbearers will be Mrs. Carl Tokle and Mrs. Laird Wray. Organist will be Mrs. Eugene Holley, and vocalist will be Gordon Van Donselaar.

Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery.

Should friends desire, memorials in Mrs. Peak's name may be made to the Grinnell First United Presbyterian Church or St. Francis Manor.