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October 29, 1987

Rites held for Mrs. Phillips

Margaret E. Phillips, 77, of Grinnell died of cancer Monday, Oct. 26, at a New Sharon Nursing Home where she had lived since June.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Grinnell First Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Daniel Ogata officiating. Organist was Barbara Lien. Pallbearers were Bill DeWitt, Chris Harris, David Hibler, Fred Rice, Jerry Rice and Larry Rice. Fraternal rites were conducted by members of Beulah Chapter No. 47, Order of Eastern Star. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be left at the funeral home.

The daughter of Frederick and Jane Martin Rice, she was born near What Cheer on Jan. 15, 1910. She attended rural school and graduated from What Cheer High School in 1928. Following normal training, she taught in rural school near Fremont.

On Dec. 12, 1933, she was married to Donald J. Phillips in Des Moines. The couple lived there until 1942 when they came to Grinnell.

Mrs. Phillips was a member of the Presbyterian Church of What Cheer and attended the First Presbyterian Church in Grinnell where she taught Sunday School and was a member of the church's women's society. She was a member of Beulah Chapter No. 47, O.E.S., and served as the organization's worthy matron in 1957. She was a member of the Past Matrons Club.

Survivors include her son, Paul of Grinnell; a daughter, Donna Keup of Danville, Ill.; seven grandchildren; two brothers, Martin Rice of Hedrick and Neal Rice of Oskaloosa; and two sisters, Evelyn Fleming of New Sharon and Marie Hibler of Oskaloosa. She was preceded by her husband in 1984, her parents, and one brother, Harold Rice.

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