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Mrs. Jesse Pierce
Dies Suddenly;
Services Today
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Mrs. Shirley Arlene Pierce, 38, wife of Jesse F. Pierce of Grinnell, died suddenly Thursday evening at a local hospital following a brief hospitalization.

Funeral services were held this afternoon (Monday) from the Methodist church with Dr. G. S. Bruland, pastor, officiating. Vocalist was Bob Evans, accompanied by Mrs. Kathleen Heffner at the organ.

Palbearers were Jim McNurten, Gary Lincoln, Ernest McDonald, Bill Ritter, Virgil Case and Bill Burk, Jr. Interment was in Hazelwood cemetery.

She was born July 19, 1921, the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur E. Lineweaver on a farm south of Belmond. She attended the Rowan, Iowa, schools, from which she graduated in May of 1939. She then took nurses training in Marshalltown, graduating June of 1942.

She had worked in both Grinnell hospitals, as well as hospitals in Mason City and Clarion.

On May 5th, 1943, she was united in marriage with Jesse F. Pierce at Belmond. To this union were born six children, all of whom reside in the home: Phyllis Jeanne, 15, Sheryl Sue, 13, David, 9, Janelle, 6, Douglas, 3, and Carla, 1.

Mrs. Pierce was baptized when a child and joined the Methodist church in Rowan.

Survivors include her husband and six children; her parents; one sister Mrs. Luther C. (Marilyn) Johnson of Des Moines; her paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Linaweaver of Rowan; and her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Milton Ramsey of Belmond.

She was a member of the Marshalltown Nurses Alumni and the Grinnell Newcomers Club.