

OBITUARY

LILY JANE RATCLIFF

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(Contributed)

Lily Jane Ratcliff, daughter of Willfred and Anna Graham Williams, was born November 25, 1873, in the Bethel neighborhood near Lynnville, Iowa, and passed away April 8, 1958, in the Mahaska hospital, Oskaloosa, Iowa, at the age of 84 years.

She spent most of her childhood in the Bethel community. She was a member of the Methodist church.

On December 6, 1893, she was united in marriage with Frank Ratcliff. To this union were born two children, Harold Ratcliff of Lynnville and Mrs. Lenna Beecroft of Oskaloosa. They spent most of their married life in Jasper and Mahaska counties.

She was preceded in death by her husband on Oct. 29, 1957, and also by two brothers, Charles Williams and Ed Williams.

In addition to her two children she is survived by nine grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, two brothers, Earl Williams of Grinnell and Harry Williams of Lynnville, several nieces and nephews, and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 11, in the Harden

Funeral home in New Sharon in charge of Rev. Richard Goins, pastor of Christian church in Oskaloosa. Mrs. Vernon Jay accompanied Mrs. Harvey Gause and Mrs. Ozro Dearing who sang "Good-Night and Good-Morning" and "Jesus Saviour

Pilot Me." Pallbearers were Melvin Ratcliff, Gerald Beason, Rayford Ratcliff, Floyd Sparks, Lloyd Sparks and Clair Fenner. Flower attendants were Mrs. Virgil Beason and Mrs. Dean Lewis. Interment was in Friends cemetery at New Sharon.

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