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## G. Walter Sherman Was Son of Real Pioneer Parents

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In the passing of George Walter Sherman of Weston, Mo., on Nov. 20, Poweshiek county lost a member of one of its earliest pioneer families. Walter Sherman was the son of Jason W. and Anginette Blanchard Sherman. Jason and his wife made the first permanent home in Chester township and the same pioneer spirit was instilled in their son, Walter.

Walter was educated in country school and Grinnell college, leaving Grinnell in his junior year to assist his father on the farm. He assumed the responsibilities as head of the family upon the death of his father in 1891. Four years later he moved his mother and family to a farm near Garrett, Kas., after selling the Chester homestead.

Five years later he sold the Kansas farm to purchase land in Colorado, where he made a home for his mother and sisters for 27 years. In October, 1918, he married Elinor Strickland. After 11 years in Colorado, he again sold his property, this time to buy a large farm near Weston, Mo., where he lived up to the time of his death.

Chester friends of Walter Sherman recall him as a man ever ready to take responsibilities and to help the needy. He was a loyal neighbor and particularly beloved by young boys in the communities where he lived.

A brief burial ceremony was conducted by Rev. W. B. Wilson at Chester cemetery last Wednesday. Pall bearers were Bert Forehand, Porter Fuller, Clyde Foster, Elmer Rickard, Alvin Rickard and Clarence Vogt.

Besides his widow, Mr. Sherman is survived by a brother, Myron W. Sherman of Kalispel, Mont., and two sisters, Miss Edna Sherman and Mrs. George F. Thomson of Grinnell.