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Thursday, March 25, 1965

John H. Sherman Succumbs Monday; Rites Held Today

John Henry Sherman, 79, of 609 First Ave., died Monday evening at a Montezuma nursing home. He had been in failing health the past several months.

Funeral services were held this morning (Thursday) from the Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Ereil Craven, pastor of the First Friends church, officiating. Vocal music was by Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sams, accompanied by Mrs. Willard Heffner at the organ.

Pallbearers were Arthur McDowell, Kenneth Palmer, Robert Burnham, George German, Harvey Mikel Jr., and Everett Williams. Graveside committal services were held this afternoon at Smyrna cemetery near Weldon, Iowa.

He was born Oct. 18, 1885, in Rock Creek township, Jasper county, the son of George and Mary Melton Sherman. He attended the schools in the Lynnville-Sully area on June 4, 1918, was united in marriage with Elma Myers, then a school teacher in Lynnville high school.

They farmed for a year north of Lynnville, then moved to the Myers family home in Clarke county. In 1927 they moved to an acreage in northeast Des Moines and he was employed by the Meredith Publishing Co. His last position was with the State Printing Board at the State House in Des Moines.

In 1956, he retired to care for his wife who was an invalid for several years. She preceded him in death in March of 1957.

Also preceding him in death were his parents; two sisters, Cora Laskewitz and Myra Renaud; and one brother, William F. Sherman.

Surviving are several nephews and nieces and some other distant relatives.

He was a member of the First Friends church of Grinnell.