

OBITUARY

GEORGE STRAND

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Mr. George T. Strand, oldest child of Gabriel and Tabor Thompson Strand, was born on a farm near Pickering, Iowa on June 8, 1874. He attended rural schools in the winter months and worked on the farm all year around. He was a birth-right member of the Conservative Friends and remained true to their teachings all his life. He passed away on August 30, 1956 at 11:15 o'clock in the St. Francis Hospital in Grinnell, Iowa.

On February 10, 1897 in Marshalltown, Iowa, he was married to Rachel Rinden of Dunbar, bringing his bride to the farm in Poweshiek County he has owned for 60 years. To this union were born three daughters,

Martha Hannelta, who died in infancy, Thelma Grace, Mrs. C. M. Van De Venter, of Ottumwa, Iowa, who passed away March 27th of this year and Mildred, Mrs. Arlo Jones, with whom her father had made his home the past six years.

Mr. Strand was a man of great integrity and industry. He worked hard and faithfully on the several farms which he owns.

I should like to eulogize my father a bit and say that I've never heard him criticize a person. He was patient and kind but very stern in his discipline of his daughters. Each nurse in the hospital told of his extreme patience and thoughtfulness and called him "the model patient."

He leaves one daughter, Mrs. Arlo Jones of Grinnell; two sisters, Mrs. Emery McClure of Marshalltown and Mrs. Dena Eames of Grinnell; two brothers, Mr. Alfred Strand and Mr. Jesse Strand both of Gilman and four grandchildren, Vincent Van DeVenter of Ottumwa, Bradford Jones, Mrs. Edwin Jensen and Carolyn Jones all of Grinnell.

Funeral services were held at the Gilman Community church on Sunday, Sept. 2, 1956 at 2:00, with burial at Prairie View Cemetery in Gilman, Iowa.