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Conduct Services Here Today For Leona Thomas, 60

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Funeral services for Mrs. Leona Thomas, 60, of 721 Spring Street, were held this afternoon (Thursday) from Smith Funeral Home.

Mrs. Thomas died Monday morning at a local hospital following a lengthy illness.

Officiating at the services was the Rev. L. V. Kuebrich, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic church. Vocal music was provided by Mrs. Wayne Dayton, accompanied by Mrs. Kathleen Heffner at the organ.

Pallbearers were Jack Vance, Richard Dean, James Griggs, Sheldon Ahrens, Earl Trease and Leroy Johnson. Interment was in Hazelwood cemetery.

The daughter of John and Catherine Schraum Beck, she was born June 6th, 1905, at Albia, Iowa. She received her early education in a Catholic school. Later, she worked for the Midwest Metal Stamping Company of Kellogg, and also had worked as a restaurant cook for a time here in Grinnell. She had been married to Toby Thomas.

Survivors include her sister, Mrs. Stella Wisnewski of San Diego, Calif.; one half-brother, Jake Geier of Oskaloosa; and three half-sisters, Mrs. Mary Hittle of Oskaloosa; Mrs. Hazel Hotz of Des Moines, and Mrs. Mildred Duncan of Fort Worth, Tex.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, William Beck on Aug. 4th, 1965, and John Geier on Aug. 4th, 1964.

(Toby)