

William Allen rites Tuesday

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William Allen, 67, of Gilman died Friday evening at his home. He had been in failing health for the past five years.

The son of William and Ellen Mairs Allen, he was born Sept. 21, 1907, in County Antrim, Ireland. At the age of six, he moved with his family to the Gilman and Newburg area where he received his education in the Newburg schools.

On Aug. 11, 1936, he was married to Chloris Moore. The couple lived in Gilman and, for three years, in the Toledo area.

After farming for about 20 years, Mr. Allen worked as a truck driver for the Farmers Cooperative Elevator in Gilman, retiring in 1972.

Survivors include his wife, Chloris; one son, Richard Allen; four daughters, Mrs. Mary Witte, Mrs. Dorothy Backen, Mrs. Carol Schley and Mrs. Joan Wills; 14 grandchildren; and two sisters, Mary Lovig and Mrs. Harlan Latham.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister and two granddaughters.

Funeral services for Mr. Allen will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Gilman United Church of Christ, with the Rev. Howard Burkle of Grinnell officiating. Burial will be at Prairie View Cemetery, Gilman, with the Estel-Perrin Funeral Home of Marshalltown in charge of arrangements.
