

## **Pioneer Resident And Oldest Citizen Mrs. J. E. Anderson Buried Wednesday**

(JAMES EDWIN)

Funeral services for a Montezuma pioneer, Mrs. J. E. Anderson, were conducted by the Rev. G. R. Dieken Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 15, at the Steffy Funeral Home.

Interment was in Masonic-IOOF Cemetery. Serving as casket bearers were: Ned Alexander, Eldon Hedrick, Hoyt Bonham, Loel Ferguson, Rene Van Tomme and Ed McNeil.

Mrs. Anderson died Saturday, Dec. 11, at her home in Montezuma. She was 99 years old and Montezuma's oldest citizen.

Alice Gertrude Underwood Anderson was born Nov. 6, 1866, on a farm in Henry County near Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. She was the daughter of Allen Trimble Underwood, former Montezuma postmaster, and Mary Elizabeth Hogan Underwood.

She was married to James Edwin Anderson, a former prominent business man known to his associates as Anderson the Clothier. He died May 30, 1928.

Survivors include her children: Mrs. Mary Esther Moore of Montezuma; Mrs. Ferres A. (Allene) Gordon of Marshalltown, Iowa; and Paul Herbert Anderson of Des Moines.

A son, Charles Harlan Anderson, preceded her in death.

There are four grandchildren: Mrs. Talmadge Widmer (Virginia Anderson) of Abingdon, Ill.; Mrs. Ranald Olson (Harriet Anderson) of Muscatine, Iowa; Mrs. Walter Kother (Miriam Moore) of Laguna Beach, Calif., and James Alexander Gordon of Des Moines.