Walter Atherton Was Born In Guernsey Area

CEDAR RAPIDS -- Walter E. Atherton, a resident for 40 years, died Sept. 23 at his home here. He was born Jan. 22, 1873 at Guernsey and was married to Martha M. Grier in 1899. She died in September 1922.

Mr. Atherton farmed three miles south and east of Guernsey for about 13 years, then moved to Guernsey and became a partner in the Cordes-Atherton Lumber Co. In 1923, he with his children, moved to Cedar Rapids, and for several years he was employed at the Williams and Hunting Lumber Co.

Surviving is a daughter, Nora M. Atherton of Cedar Rapids; two sons: Ralph E. of Alburnett and George H. of Spartanburg, S.C.; a sister Ruby Rose of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida; a brother, James Atherton of Modesto, Calif.; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Mr. Atherton was a member of St. Paul's Methodist church.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Sept. 25 at 2 p.m. at the McAninch chapel, Victor, with the Rev. Milton Vogel officiating. Organ music was played by Mrs. George Keller.

Pallbearers were Elbert