

Monday, October 16, 1967

Genevieve Cooke Services Pending

Mrs. Genevieve Cooke, 84 a resident of the Mayflower Home, passed away Sunday evening at a local hospital following an extended illness.

She was born on Nov. 27, 1882, at St. Joseph, Mo., the daughter of J. Lee and Elizabeth L. Cilley.

At the age of nine she moved with her parents to Independence, Ia. She received her education in the schools at St. Joseph and Independence.

On June 2, 1906, she was married to Robert Vistor Downing, who passed away in 1910. On March 2, 1914, she was married to J. Stewart Cooke, who preceded her in death May 8, 1948.

Early in life she was a member of the Congregational church of Independence, until that church ceased to function. She then became a member of the Presbyterian church there. On moving to Grinnell in 1955, she transferred her membership to the United Church of Christ—Congregational—of Grinnell.

Until a few years ago, Mrs. Cooke was active in the D.A.R.; she was a past matron of the Order of Eastern Star, in which she was a member over 50 years.

She is survived by her brother Edwin C. Cilley and a sister, Lillie Cilley, both of Independence, Ia.

Funeral services for Mrs. Cooke are pending at this time. Friends many call the James-Schalinske Funeral Home for information.