

Rites Tuesday For Mary Cooper

Mary Cooper, 87, of Grinnell, died Saturday night, Aug. 21, at Friendship Manor Nursing Home following an extended illness.

The daughter of James and Barbara Cooper, Miss Cooper was born March 28, 1884, on a farm near Ewart in Pleasant Township.

Miss Cooper was a graduate of Montezuma high school and the Iowa State Teachers College. For many years she taught in the public schools of Jewell, Marengo and Grinnell, until failing health caused her to retire from teaching. She cared for her aging parents in Montezuma during their final years. After their death she spent her time in the homes of her two sisters, Mrs. Ella Long of Grinnell and Mrs. Alma Johnson of Union, Iowa.

Miss Cooper was baptized in the Presbyterian Church in Montezuma and was a member there for many years. When living in Union, she transferred her membership to the community church there and was an interested member the rest of her life.

Survivors include her two sisters, seven nephews, one niece and a number of grandnieces and nephews as well as many friends.

Miss Cooper was preceded in death by her parents; her step-mother, Belle Cooper; her brother, James, and two sisters — Jeannie

Ann in childhood and Mrs. Alice McLain.

Funeral services for Mary Cooper will be Tuesday, Aug. 24, at 2 p.m. at the James-Schalinske Funeral Home. The Rev. J. Eugene Young will officiate and interment will be in Ewart Cemetery.

Organist will be Mrs. Leonard Pierce and vocalist will be Gordon Van Donselaar.

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