

OBITUARY

ALICE McLAIN DITZLER

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10-12-1959
Alice Ditzler, 64 years of age, resident of 1007 1st Ave., Grinnell, Iowa, passed away Thursday noon, Oct. 1st, 1959 at a local hospital.

Alice, daughter of Mrs. Agnes Swanson, was born near Ewart, Iowa, Pleasant Twp., Jan 28th, 1895.

Alice was taken into the home of her grandparents, Samuel and Mary Jackson McLain with two orphan cousins, Ella and Matthew McLain. Grandmother and grandfather McLain made a home for their grandchildren besides 10 children of their own.

Alice attended rural school in Pleasant Twp. moving with her grandparents to Grinnell, Iowa, where she attended Grinnell high school. Alice was united in marriage to George Holmes in 1913. Two children were born to this union, one baby girl passing on in infancy and one remaining daughter, Evelyn born Dec. 2nd 1914.

On June 30th 1938 Alice was united in marriage at Kirksville, Mo. to James Leroy Ditzler. They made their home in Grinnell, Iowa. Mr. Ditzler passed away April, 1953. Since her husband's passing, she lived alone at their home, 1007 1st Avenue.

Her death followed an extended illness, having been hospitalized for six weeks in her last illness.

Mrs. Ditzler leaves to mourn her passing her daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Boucher and husband of Grinnell, Iowa; mother, Mrs. Agnes Swanson and step father of Illinois; one niece, three nephews of Ill. and a host of cousins and friends. Her three half brothers Carl, Samuel, and Everett Anderson preceded her in death.

Services were held at Smith Funeral home with Rev. E. Donald Byrd officiating. Burial was in Hazelwood cemetery.

Pall bearers were George Hansen, Paul McConnell, Al Reraud, Everett Sanger, Perry Wilson, and Robert Revell.

(James Leroy)