

Geo. W. Foster Passes Away At Advanced Age

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George W. W. Foster, the only son of George W. and Lucinda Foster, was born near Stafford, N. Y., on April 11, 1849, and passed away at his home north of Grinnell, on Sept. 13, 1934, at the age of 85 years, five months and two days. He was a member of the Methodist church. He lived his boyhood days in New York. When he was 12 years of age his father enlisted as a soldier in the 104th N. Y. Infantry and served for three years as Principal Musician. After the close of the war, he with his parents and sisters went to West Sumpter, Mich., to make their home. In 1877 he was united in marriage with Miss Katie Collins, who for fifty-seven years has been his helpmate and shared the joys and sorrows of life.

In January of 1881, Mr. and Mrs. Foster came to Poweshiek county, Iowa, where they have resided for fifty-three years. Five children were born to them, four of whom, with the wife, survive him. One son, Franklin, passed away in 1933. The others are: Mrs. Elvira Newton of Los Angeles, Calif., Mrs. Maude Vanderveer, Charles L. Foster and William Foster of Grinnell. He also leaves five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

His children will always cherish the memory of a good, kind father. He loved his home and was happiest there with his family about him.

Funeral services were held Monday, Sept. 17, at 2:30 p. m., from Snyder's funeral chapel, conducted by Rev. H. S. Wilkinson.

Mrs. Howard Hyde and Mrs. John Carter sang two hymns, "In the Sweet Bye and Bye," and "Face to Face." Pallbearers were T. A. Harris, Ray Stayton, Will Chedister, Lester Hendrickson, Louis Frahm and Albert Hays. Interment was beside his father, mother, and son in Hazelwood.