Monday, July 8, 1968

William Foster Services Monday

William Foster, 74. of Rte. 4, Grinnell, passed away early Friday morning, July 5, at Grinnell General Hospital East, following 16 days' hospitalization.

The son of George W. W. Foster and Katie Collins, he was born Dec. 13, 1893, at Grinnell. He attended the rural schools, and later farmed in Chester Township and the Sonora community.

On March 7, 1917, he married Sylva Ava Tish in Grinnell, Born to the couple were two daughters-Mrs. George (Lola Fern) Baustian of Malcom and Mrs. Gladys Marie Stowe of Grinnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster had celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last year and had farmed at their home the last 40 years.

Mr. Foster had been a charter member of the Westfield Grange, Poweshiek County Farm Bureau. and the Grant Township Farmers Union.

He is survived by his widow Sylva, his two daughters, and two grandchildren—Dennis Lynn Stowe of Grinnell and Denise Marie Baustian of Malcom. Also surviving is one brother, Charles L. Foster of rural Tama. He was preceded in death by two sisters and one brother-Mrs. A. H. (Elvira) Newton, Mrs. James B. (Maude) Vanderveer, and Franklin L. Foster.

Funeral services for Mr. Foster were held at 2 p.m., today (Monday) at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Wayne A. Shireman, pastor of the First Baptist church of Cedar Rapids, officiating. The organist was Mrs. Willard Heffner.

Pallbearers included Lester Hendrickson, Virgil Jones, Eugene Lang, Paul McConnell, Raymond Olson, and Marvin Steenhoek. Burial will be in Hazelwood cemetery.

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