## MONTEZUMA REPUBLICAN

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## Ivy Gerard Buried-In Union Mills Cemetery

Funeral services for Mrs. Ivy Gerard were Wednesday, Feb. 24, at the Steffy Funeral Home. Burial was in Union Mills Cemetery with Mrs. Gerard's six sons serving as casket bearers.

Ivy, daughter of Cora and Isaac McMains, was born near New Sharon, August 1, 1876, and died in Oskaloosa, Feb. 22, at 88 years of age.

She attended rural school and Oskaloosa high school. In her youth, she united with the Christian Church in Union Mills, Iowa.

On Feb. 4, 1903, shemarried Charley Gerard. They lived on a farm in Mahaska County for many years. In 1942 they retired and moved to Grinnell, where she transferred her church membership to the Assembly of God Church.

After the death of Mr. Gerard in 1950, she made her home in Oskaloosa. For the past five years, she has resided in a nursing home.

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Monday, March 1, 1965

## Rites Held For Mrs. Ivy Gerard, Former Resident

Mrs. Charley (Ivv.) Gerard. 88, former Grinnell resident, died Feb. 22 at Oskaloosa.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 24, from the Steffy Funeral Home at Montezuma. Officiating was the Rev. Max Johnson, pastor of the Assembly of God church at Oskaloosa.

Her six sons served as pallbearers.

The daughter of Isaac and Cora McMains, she was born near New Sharon, Iowa, on August 1, 1876. She attended rural schools and Oskaloosa high school.

In her youth, she was united with the Christian church in Union Mills, Iowa.

On Feb. 4, 1903, she was united in marriage with Charley Gerard. To this union, seven children were born.

They made their home on farms in Mahaska and Poweshiek counties for many years. In 1942, they retired and moved to Grinnell where she transferred her church membership to the Assembly of God church.

After the death of Mr. Gerard in 1950, she moved to Oskaloosa to make her home. For the past five years she had been cared for at the Hillcrest nursing home of Oskaloosa.

Survivors include her daughter. Virgie Peters of Oskaloosa; and six sons, Harold of Grinnell, Homer of Oskaloosa, the Rev. Clifford of Mt. Ayr. Emil of Newton, and Paul and Eldon of Brooklyn. Also surviving are 16 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, two great great grandchildren, and other relatives and friends.