

GRINNELL, IOWA, HERALD-REGISTER

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A. T. GIFFORD

Ahurna T. Gifford was born in Chester community on June 29, 1874, son of Albert and Mary Gifford and passed away in the Community hospital in Grinnell, Iowa on Thursday morning, Jan. 17 at 1:18 a.m.

He lived until manhood in this community completing his schooling and then after graduating from college he taught in several places. He then came to Lynnville where he was Superintendent of the school here for seven years, from 1900 to 1907. In 1907 he moved to Montour and went into business returning to Lynnville in 1910, buying the Charles Wildman mortuary from which he retired about five years ago.

Mr. Gifford was a birthright member of the Lynnville Friends church. He was much interested in the music of the church and its Sunday school work, being a teacher of a boys' class.

He was taken to a rest home in Grinnell last May. About two weeks ago he fell and sustained a broken hip.

Mr. Gifford was united in marriage to Miss Maye Turkeldson in 1908 who passed away in 1913. To this union was born one son, Ward Gifford who resides in Grinnell. On March

3rd, 1919, he was married to Mrs. Grace Wildman at Oskaloosa. To this union was born one son, Claire Gifford who lives in Pella, Iowa.

He is survived by his wife Grace; two sons, Ward Gifford of Grinnell, Claire Gifford of Pella, three step-sons, Wayne Wildman of Sully, Dale Wildman of Greene, and Keith Wildman of Pomona, Calif., three half brothers, Willet Renaud of Calif., Willis Renaud of Sully and E. B. Renaud of Lynnville. Also a half-sister, Mrs. Avis Nagle of Central City, Iowa.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon, January 19 in the Lynnville Friends church in charge of Rev. Carl D. Byrd. Mrs. Howard Macy accompanied Homer McDowell who sang, "Sunrise" and the male quartette who sang, "Lead Me Gently Home." Personnel of the quartette was Homer McDowell, Lyle Brandt, Abe VanderBeek and Warren Stanley.

Pallbearers were, Ray VerSteeg, Clyde Lisk, Wm. Stewart, Lory Gause, Howard Macy and Harold Macy. Flower attendants were, the Mesdames Carl Jay, Harvey Gause, Ray VerSteeg and Roscoe Sparks. Interment in Woodland cemetery.

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