

Mrs. Gilbreath Rites Held At Grinnell

Mrs. Bessie Grier Gilbreath, 86, of Montezuma, passed away early Saturday morning, March 15, at Grinnell General Hospital, where she had been hospitalized since February 19. She was born Aug. 20, 1882, in Poweshiek County, the daughter of John and Matilda Rainey Grier. She attended schools in Oklahoma, and when 16-years-old, returned with her family to Iowa, where she attended school at Guernsey.

River, she was united in marriage with David Gilbreath. To this union were born eight children: Mrs. Edgar (Naomi) Sanders of Montezuma; Mrs. Francis (Dorothy) Klaus of Kellogg; Mrs. Eula Mae Van Tomme of Brooklyn; Clyde Gilbreath, deceased; Earl Gilbreath of Kellogg; Virgil Gilbreath of Moline, Ill.; Mrs. Floyd (Vina) Martin of Cedar Rapids, and Mrs. Delmar (Ruth) James of Cedar Rapids. She is also survived by 31 grandchildren, 37 great grandchildren, five great-great-grandchildren, and two sisters: Mrs. Carleton (Ada) Case of Ft. Myers, Fla., and Mrs. Jessie Triska of Des Moines. She also leaves several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, David, in 1952, and her son Clyde, on June 28, 1955.

were Bill Gilbreath, David Karr, Dean Van Tomme, Leroy Meredith, Wayne Sanders and Edwin Fields. Assisting with the flowers was Mrs. Ernest Beason and Mrs. Ed Hughes. Burial was at Jackson Township Cemetery, Montezuma.

Mrs. Gilbreath was employed at the Community Hospital and also had been employed at Grinnell College. She had lived in this area most of her life except for a short period in Florida, as well as Oklahoma.

Funeral services for Mrs. Gilbreath were held 2 p.m., Tuesday, March 18, at the Smith Funeral Home, Grinnell, with the Rev. Hugh Shively, pastor of the First Baptist Church officiating, assisted by the Rev. Dennis Taylor, pastor of the Primitive Baptist Church. Organist was Mrs. R. J. Nash and vocal music was provided by Mrs. Mac Molison. Casket bearers

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Burial will be in the family lot at Jackson Township Cemetery, Montezuma.

Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home.

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