

Rites Held for Guernsey Man

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He was united in marriage on June 15, 1918 to Frances Pidima of Guernsey. To this union two daughters were born. Homer was a mail carrier for several years and retired in 1959 at that time moving to Brisbane, Calif.

His health started to fail about seven years ago and on Dec. 20, 1964 he returned to Iowa making his home with his sister, Mrs. Mary Pidima, until the spring of 1966 when he bought a small home in Guernsey. He was a member of the Guernsey United Methodist church at the time of his death.

He is survived by his two daughters, (Doris) Mrs. Matthew Herbeck of Garden Grove, Calif., (Della) Mrs. Harold Hicks of Livermore, Calif., 10 grandchildren and two great grandchildren, three sisters, Mrs. Daisy Urfer and Mrs. Mary Pidima both of Guernsey, Mrs. Gretchen Auderberg of Moline, Ill. and one brother, Clark Groff of Ottumwa. Preceded in death by his parents; wife, Frances, one brother, Cecil; one sister, Mrs. Abbie Dougherty.

Funeral services were held Sunday at the McAninch chapel in Victor with Rev. Herbert Foxworthy officiating. Music was provided by Mrs. Ireta Daniels. Flowers were cared for by Mr. and Mrs. Marlan McWilliams.

Casket bearers were: Joe Pidima, Fred Waline, Rene Seye, Lawrence C. Pidima, Glen Urfer, Lawrence L. Pidima with burial in the Guernsey cemetery.

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