

OBITUARY

WILLIAM J. McCaw

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William J. McCaw was born on a farm near Deep River, Iowa, on December 13, 1875. After a brief illness he passed away in the Community Hospital in Grinnell on Monday, June 11, at the age of 80 years, 5 months and 29 days. He was the second oldest of a family of seven children, and the sole survivor of that family group. He was educated in a country school, and spent the years of his boyhood on his father's farm.

At the age of 22 William McCaw was united in marriage with Sarah J. Gauley, in Deep River. The young couple established their home on a farm near Deep River, and continued to live in that area for about 36 years. It was during this period that two children were born to the McCaws; Lester, a son, and Virgil, a daughter.

In 1944 he and Mrs. McCaw moved into Chester Township, where they have continued to live until the present time. Mr. and Mrs. McCaw brought their church membership to the Chester Congregational Church, through which they have enjoyed a rich fellowship with many of their neighbors. Mr. McCaw was a member of the Masonic Order and the Order of the Eastern Star.

He is survived by his wife, a son, Lester, of Des Moines, a daughter, Mrs. Tom Sanders, of Grinnell, three grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

William McCaw was known by his family as a gentle and loving husband and father, and by his friends and neighbors for his kindness and consideration to them. His passing will indeed be a loss to his family and the community.