

OBITUARY

WILLIAM McCLEAN
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William James McClean, son of James and Eliza Spence McClean, was born at Ahoghill, County Antrim, Ireland, July 29, 1877 and passed away in Grinnell on Oct. 8, 1957 at the age of 80 years, 2 months and 9 days.

He received his education in Ireland. He crossed over to America, arriving here in July, 1902. At this time he made his home with maiden and widowed aunts, Miss Mattie Spence and Mrs. Andrew Paul, living on the place where his daughter Mrs. Henry Hauerperger now lives. In 1909 he went back to Ireland, returning to this country with his bride-to-be, Margaret Jane Lowery. They were married in Marshalltown, Iowa, on Oct. 16, 1909.

To this union two children were born — John James and Elizabeth.

Since coming to this country he has lived most of the time in the Gilman and Newburg communities. He had made his home with his daughter for the past 15 years.

He was of a kindly disposition. This was shown in the way he cared for a nephew and niece whom he took into his home when they were quite young and cared for them as his own until they reached the ages of 16 and 18 respectively.

He was a Past Master of the Orange Lodge of Ireland, also a member of the Trinity Lutheran church, Emmetsburg, Ia.

He leaves to mourn his passing one son, John James of Marshalltown; one daughter, Mrs. Henry (Elizabeth) Hauerperger of Newburg; three grandchildren; two brothers, Samuel and Joseph, and one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Hill, all of Marshalltown.

Prayer services were held at 1:45 p.m., Oct. 11, 1957, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell. Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. at the Hickory Grove church in charge of the Rev. Mrs. Helen Turner of the Newburg Congregational church. Music was furnished by Mrs. Leroy Brown and Mr. Mat J. Kallestad sang "In the Sweet Bye and Bye" and "Going Down the Valley." Flower bearers were Mrs. Conrad Buchmeier and Mrs. Clyde Stover. Pallbearers were Lester Ashing, Conrad Buchmeier, Lloyd Hauerperger, Ed Hauerperger, Russell Shanks, and Ed Watkins. Interment was made in Prairie View cemetery at Gilman, Iowa.