

OBITUARY

W. H. A. WILEY McFARLIN

Funeral services for Wiley McFarlin were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, Feb. 4, 1957, from the Searsboro Community Friends church. Rev. Myrtle C. Lee officiating. Funeral text was Psalm 90, verse 12.

Soloist was Homer McDowell of Searsboro. Organist was Mrs. Mamie Watson of Searsboro. Mr. McDowell sang "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Nearer My God To Thee," accompanied by Mrs. Watson at the organ.

Pallbearers were William Arthur, Harrison Fleener, Frank Mitchell, Leo Watson, William Schmidt and Glenn Brignon. Burial was in Searsboro L.O.O.F. cemetery.

William Wiley McFarlin, son of William Harrison and Margaret McFarlin, was born July 26, 1868, in Morgan county, near Martinsville, Ind., and passed away Feb. 1, 1957, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Celia Stehn, at Ankeny, Iowa, at the

age of 88 years, 7 months and 6 days.

Mr. McFarlin was left an orphan at the early age of 10, and worked for several families—for the bare necessities of life.

In 1884 he came to Iowa, and on December 6, 1887, he was united in marriage to Lillie Farmer. To this union were born three daughters: Mrs. Mary Mincer of Searsboro, Iowa; Mrs. Fern McDowell of Los Altos, Calif., and Mrs. Celia Stehn of Ankeny, Iowa.

Mr. McFarlin had farmed in the vicinity of Searsboro for nearly 65 years before going to live with his daughter Celia in 1949—after the death of his wife.

He had been in failing health for several years but each time that he was spared to live he would say, "I guess my road wasn't quite built."

He is survived by his three daughters, six grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, one great great granddaughter; and by numerous friends and relatives.