

Mrs. William McKee Passes

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GRINNELL WOMAN ACTIVE IN CHURCH AND CIVIC LIFE

It is with sadness that the Herald carries today the death of one of Grinnell's bright women who made herself a place in active farm and city life. She was a woman of rare worth and her death is a serious loss to Grinnell.

William

Alta May Hastings, only child of Wm. C. and Mary Armstrong Hastings was born near Deep River, Ia., Oct. 24th, 1881, and passed away at her home, Saturday, July 18, at 5:30 p.m. aged 49 years 8 months and 18 days.

Her girlhood was spent on the farm. After leaving the farm her parents moved to Grinnell where she finished her school work. For a number of years she was employed at the Morrison-Ricker Mfg. Co. plant. Feb. 12, 1913 she was united in marriage with Wm. McKee. Her early married life was spent on a farm in Rock Creek township, later moving to her present home at the edge of town. While her home was in town she was an active member of the Methodist church, and Rebekah and Pythian Sisters Lodges.

Her death was a shock to every one, as she had attended Victor grange Friday evening. While not feeling very well she insisted on going as she always enjoyed these meetings.

She leaves to mourn her loss, her husband, her mother, and numerous relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at 2 o'clock in charge of Dr. E. M. Vittum and she was laid to rest in Hazelwood cemetery. Services at the grave were in charge of Victor Grange.

Bearers were Herbert Armstrong, Arthur Robison, David McAteer, George Decatur, Herbert Decatur and Frank Black.