

W5 Bessie Norton Rites Today

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Bessie Norton, 80, of 628 Main St., died Friday evening, Apr. 12, at Grinnell General Hospital.

The daughter of William and Addie Hamilton Norton, she was born June 2, 1893, in Lynnvile and received her education in the schools of that community. Miss Norton never married but worked in Lynnvile and took care of her parents. After the death of her parents, she lived in Newton for a short time. For the past 10 years, she had made her home on Grinnell.

She was a member of the First Friends Church of Grinnell.

Miss Norton is survived by a sister, Mrs. Herbert Clarey of Fontana, Calif., a brother-in-law and a niece. She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. today (Monday) at the First Friends Church, with the Rev. L. Willard Reynolds officiating. Organist was Marilyn Burnham, and vocalists were Ervin Meredith, Ruth Dunnick, Mary Lou Mikel and Jake Van Dyke. Serving on the flower committee were Marilyn Meredith and Jean Morrison. Pallbearers were Harvey Mikel Jr., Kenneth Palmer, Andrew Dunnick, George Morrison, George German and Robert Burnham. The James-Schalinske Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Should friends desire, memorials in Miss Norton's name may be made to the First Friends Church.