

OBITUARY

BLANCHE OSBORN
AUG 21, 1937
(Contributed)

John S.
Mrs. John (Blanche Carmel) Osborn, well known Grinnell resident, died at the St. Francis hospital Monday morning, August 19. She entered the hospital Sunday evening and was stricken with an acute heart attack.

Services were held at the Smith Funeral Home Wednesday, August 21, at two o'clock with Rev. Leland Mann, D.D., Minister of the Congregational church officiating.

Born December 28, 1888, near Grinnell, she was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Christianson. She received her education in Grant Public schools. She was christened in the Ebenezer Norwegian Lutheran faith when a young girl.

On February 3, 1911 she was united in marriage to John S. Osborn. To this union eight children were born and daughter Dorothy Louise preceded her in death. Surviving are her husband John, seven children, Raymond, John, Lillian, Edith and Blanche Lavinia, all of Grinnell. Mrs. Charles (Maud) McKee and Glenn of Montezuma. Eight grandchildren, Roger, Carolyn, Ronald and Barbara Osborn, Raymond's family, Kevin, son of Glenn. Mrs. Carl (Mae) Fuhlendorf of Denver, Colorado. Mrs. Everett (Joyce) Cheney of Lind, Oklahoma, and Mrs. Lorne (Doris) Byers of Denver, Colorado, all daughters of Maud's. There are three great grandchildren, Randy Fuhlendorf, Vicki Jo Cheney and Cathy Jean Byers.

Also surviving are six sisters, Mrs. Malval Stemsrud, Mrs. Agnetta Iverson, Mrs. Berne Thorson, Mrs. Irene Mackin, Viola Christianson, all of Grinnell. Mrs. Lillie Alertson of Northwood, and her brother's wife, Irene Christianson, of Grinnell.

Soft organ music was played by Mrs. Kathleen Heffner, playing "Beyond The Sunset," "My Mother's Prayer," and "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," all numbers chosen by the family. The casket bearers were nephews of Mrs. Osborn: Leslie Alertson of Northwood, Arthur Iverson, Robert Osborn, Ernest Thorson, Carl Fogle of Grinnell and Bert Stemsrud of Montezuma. Mr. and Mrs. Don Larsen of Grinnell and Mr. and Mrs. Lillian McFarrath of Brooklyn acted as flower bearers.

Interment was in Jackson Township cemetery at Montezuma.