

Hold rites for Esther Parker

James

Esther Parker, 84, former Gilman resident now of Spirit Lake, died Sunday morning at the Milford Nursing Home in Milford, Ia. Sept. 17.

Funeral services for Mrs. Parker were held Wednesday at the Gilman Community Church with burial at Prairie View Cemetery, Gilman. Rev. Don Britt officiated.

Born in Gilman on June 12, 1894 she was the daughter of S.E. and Eva Ryan Wallace. She attended Gilman schools. She married James Parker on March 14, 1917 and they farmed south of Gilman for 22 years before moving to Gilman in 1939.

She was a piano and organ teacher for many years and was active in the music department and music guild at the Gilman Church. She moved to Spirit Lake in 1968 after her husband's death.

Survivors include a daughter, Frances (Mrs. Robert) Ross of Spirit Lake. She has nine grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, two

nieces, and three nephews. She was preceded in death by two sisters, two brothers, her husband, and her son, Paul G. Parker.

The family suggests that memorials be made to the Gilman Church.