

## Reaches The End Of A Long And Useful Life

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Lydia Roberts was born in Rock Island county, Ill. March 31, 1853 and died at her home at 1228 Main street, Grinnell, Iowa Jan. 24, 1943 at the age of 89 years and 9 months. She was one of a family of 13 children, her parents being Arthur P. Roberts and Maribee Freeman Roberts. She grew up on her father's farm in Illinois near the Mississippi River and was married to George D. Parmenter Dec. 31, 1874 and came to live on a farm near Gilman, Iowa. In the fall of 1893 the family moved to a farm west of Grinnell and later retired to the home in Grinnell. Mr. Parmenter died in August 1913. She is survived by four children: Marcus Parmenter of Corvallis, Ore., Mrs. Rosella Worcester, Mrs. Josephine Johnson and Mrs. Florence Hyde of Grinnell, one daughter having died in infancy. Also she is survived by a sister Mrs. Mary Coon of Manzanola, Colo., a brother Ernest J. Roberts of Cape Town, South Africa and a sister Mrs. Susie VanderVeer of Cedar Falls, Iowa. There are seven grandchildren and several nephews and nieces.

When a young woman she was converted and united with the Church of God at Newburg, transferring her membership to the First Baptist church of Grinnell.

Services were held from the home Tuesday at 2:00 p. m. conducted by her pastor Rev. G. L. McKinney. Two of her favorite hymns, "Face to Face" and "Shall We Meet Beyond the River," were sung by Prof. David Peck assisted by Mrs. Roscoe Dempster at the piano. The flowers were in charge of Mrs. Russell Sawin and Mrs. George Hyde. Pallbearers were A. J. Blakely, George Hyde, Charles Cessna, Russell Sawin, Jay Parrott and C. M. Pilgrim. Burial was in Hazelwood cemetery.

Among the relatives attending the services were Mrs. Susie VanderVeer of Cedar Falls, Mrs. Glen Philip of Jessup, Mo. and Mrs. Frank Wood of Hudson, Iowa; Ira J. Roberts and Everett Hayes of Rock Island, Mr. and Mrs. Chant Reed, Mrs. Doyle, Mrs. Henry Fuhr and son Kenneth, and Clarence Roberts of Illinois City, Mrs. Fred Hofer of Taylor Ridge, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Parmenter, Mrs. Laura Hill, Oscar McGrew and sons Elbert and Myron, Miss Laura McGrew, Mrs. Emma Parmenter, and Mrs. Jessie Parmenter of Gilman, Iowa.

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