

Mrs. Fannie Partlow's Useful Life Is Over

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Mrs. Fannie Ann Partlow was born in Crawford County, Pennsylvania, May 11, 1840, and passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. P. Alltis Friday evening, August 22, aged 34 years, five months, and 11 days. When a girl, Mrs. Partlow came west with her parents to Minnesota. Later the family moved to Northeastern Iowa. She was married at Elkader in 1862 to William Partlow. To them five children were born, two of whom died in infancy. A son, Samuel, died five years ago.

When her husband died in 1875, Mrs. Partlow bravely resolved to keep her little family together at any cost, and by dint of hard work succeeded in doing so. She came to Grinnell in 1883 and has lived here ever since. Her life has known much toil and not a little suffering. She has filled a useful place in our community and at the end of the long road of life has now found rest. Her declining years were thoughtfully cared for in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alltis.

Mrs. Partlow at the time of her death was a member of the Baptist Church.

She is survived by a brother, Joseph Rice, living in Menominee, Wisconsin; two daughters, Mrs. J. H. Alexander, of Marsden, and Mrs. C. P. Alltis of Grinnell, a grandson, W. W. Howard of Manila, and two other grandchildren.

She also provided a home for the father's boy John Jersey, now of Markesholtown. The boy's mother died when he was but two and a half years of age and Mrs. Partlow who was then unmarried took the boy and went to work by the week to provide for him.

Funeral services conducted by Rev. E. W. Cross were held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Snyder Bros. funeral parlor. Mrs. D. H. Snook and Miss Stella Bartlett sang.

Following is the tribute of a friend, who has known her for many years.