

John Pierce Rites Held Wednesday

Last rites for John Pierce, 91, were conducted Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock at Bramer Funeral Home in charge of Robert W. Seath, minister of the Madison Church of Christ. Mrs. Ed Bartachek was organist.

Burial was in I.O.O.F. cemetery with Lyle Zigler, Delmar Carter, Eugene Otto, Harry Otto, Robert Lawson and Mark Johnston serving as pallbearers. In charge of flowers were Mrs. Lyle Zigler and Mrs. Delmar Carter.

John Andrew Pierce, son of John and Nancy Dykes Pierce, was born March 10, 1873, near Princeton, in Mercer county, Mo. and died July 11, 1964, at St. Francis hospital in Grinnell where he had been a patient for a brief time.

When he was 19 years old Mr. Pierce came to Brooklyn where he lived the remainder of his life with the exception of the last two years when he lived in the Lone Elm rest home in Grinnell. He had worked for the Rock Island railroad for many years.

On Nov. 29, 1895, he was married to Alice Cordelia Otto and nine children were born to the couple.

He was a member of the Church of the Brethren near Brooklyn.

He is survived by seven children: Fred Pierce of Iowa City; Joe Pierce of Peables, Wisc.; Mrs. Earl (Clara) Hidde and Harry Pierce of Milwaukee, Wisc.; Marshall Pierce of Grinnell; John Pierce of Cupertino, Calif. and William Pierce of Riverside, Ill. He also leaves 18 grandchildren and 45 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, March 26, 1962; one son, Elmer; an infant daughter, Lorraine, and three sisters.

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JOHN ANDREW PIERCE
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John Andrew Pierce, the son of John and Nancy Dykes Pierce, was born near Princeton, Mo., in Mercer county on Mar. 10th, 1873, and passed away July 11th, 1964 at St. Francis hospital in Grinnell at the age of 91 years, four months, and one day.

Mr. Pierce moved to Brooklyn, Iowa, to make his home when he was 19 years old.

In his early youth he was united with the United Brethren church of South Brooklyn.

On Nov. 20th, 1895, at the age of 22, he was united in marriage with Alice Cordelia Otto, who preceded him in death on Mar. 26th, 1962. To this union nine children were born: Fred of Iowa City; Joe, Harry and Clara, all of Wisconsin; Marshall of Grinnell; John Jr. of Cupertino, Calif.; Bill of Riverdale, Ill.; Elmer, of Milwaukee, Wisc., who preceded him in death; and another daughter, Laurine, who died in infancy.

In addition to his wife and two children, he was preceded in death by his parents and three sisters.

Surviving beside his children are 18 grandchildren, 45 great grandchildren, many nieces and nephews, and numerous friends both in Grinnell and Brooklyn.