

Final Rites For Mrs. W. E. Pitka Thursday At Methodist Church

Funeral services for Mrs. William (Stella) Pitka will be held Thursday, August 3, at 9:30 a.m. at the Montezuma Methodist Church. The Rev. George Snyder will officiate.

Vocal music will be provided by Harold Pitka accompanied by Miss Alice Underwood, organist.

Interment will be in Maple Hill Cemetery at Montour, Iowa. Former employees of the Pitka Motor Co. will serve as casket bearers.

Mrs. Pitka, 63, died suddenly Sunday at the home in Toledo which she and her husband recently purchased. They had planned to move to Toledo

from Montezuma in the near future.

Mrs. Pitka was born near Novinger, Mo., on Oct. 5, 1903, the daughter of William and Lena Taylor.

She attended school in Missouri and later moved with her parents to Union, Iowa.

In 1926 she was united in marriage with Elvin Clark. To this union five children were born. A daughter, Vivian, died in infancy and one son, Elvin Clark, Jr., passed away in 1957. Most of their married life was spent in Montour. Mr. Clark passed away June 3, 1950.

On December 13, 1958, she

was united in marriage with William E. Pitka. They have made their home in Montezuma.

Stella was a member of the Methodist Church, the Dorcas Class and the W.S.C.S. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and the World War I Barracks Auxiliary.

She is survived by her husband; one son, H. Duane Clark of Marshalltown; two daughters, Beverly Lawthers of Grinnell and Sharon Gibson of Montezuma; seven grandchildren; one step-son, William L. Pitka of Atlantic, Iowa; two step-daughters, Beulah Evans of Winston-Salem, N.C. and Edith Peters of Phoenix, Ariz.; ten step-grandchildren; her twin sister, Grace Clark and another sister, Velma Callaway, both of Long Beach, Calif.; other relatives and many friends.