

## Obituary Of Mrs. 6-4 6-5-1934 Theodore Risse

Mary Althea Davidson, the daughter of William and Margaret Davidson, departed this life Saturday, May 19, 1934, at 3:20 p. m. at Mt. Pleasant.

She was born May 13, 1886, at Guernsey, Iowa, and at the time of her death had reached the age of 48 years and six days.

Mary attended the public schools at Guernsey, Montezuma and Grinnell. In 1903 she came to Grinnell with her parents and has lived here continuously. She worked at the Morrison-Ricker glove factory and the Spaulding carriage factory.

On Sept. 16, 1907 she was united in marriage to Theodore H. Risse and to this union six children were born.

Those remaining to mourn her are her husband and her children, Delmar W. of Clarksville; Mable M. Adkins, Walter M., Theodore H. Jr., and Arthur R., all of Grinnell. A son, James Roy, preceded his mother in death April 25, 1925. There also remain one grandchild, Donald Gene Adkins; four sisters, Mrs. Lillie A. Hutson of Laramie, Wyo., Mable E. Matteson of Long Beach, Calif., Mrs. Alice I. Rasch of Fraser, Mich., and Mrs. Bessie R. Bolander of Long Beach, Calif., besides many relatives and a host of friends. Mrs. Margaret M. Davidson, her mother, living at Long Beach, Calif., passed away at Grinnell Jan. 20, 1933, while making a visit at the Risse home.

Mary was a devoted wife and a mother in every sense of the word and considered her family duties as of first importance. While yet in early life she united with the United Presbyterian church, and later attended the Congregational church at Grinnell, Iowa. She was much interested in church work, Parent-Teacher and the Woman's Club activities, and took an active part in the latter organization.

Her last illness had confined her to her bed since about Nov. 15, 1933, and with all that could be done for her, she gradually failed from then on until she was called by her heavenly father. The cause of her death was pulmonary tuberculosis.

The services were held at Smith's Home for Funerals at 2:30 p. m., May 22, 1934, conducted by Rev. Robert Inglis, who used for the Scriptures Psalms 25:1-22; 46:1-3; 61:1-4 and spoke as follows:

The pallbearers were Clarence Chamberlain, Clarence Stark, Charley Dexter, Floyd Garver, Ray Wenger and Mayo Wherry.