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G. L. Sanders.

With 81 years of active, vigorous life behind him, G. L. Sanders passed away on Sunday at the home of his son, W. S. Sanders, north of town. Since the death of his wife, ten years ago, Mr. Sanders has made his home with his two sons, spending his summers in Grinnell and his winters in Modesto, Calif., with his other son, C. L. Sanders.

Mr. Sanders had been gradually declining in health but had been confined to his bed only ten days.

Funeral services were held this morning from the Will Sanders home. Interment was made in Hazelwood.

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GEORGE LUCIUS SANDERS.

Lucius Sanders was born at New Ipswich, New Hampshire, June 18, 1838. He was one of a family of four sons and three daughters. He attended the common schools and Appleton Academy, near his home. His educational opportunities were limited.

During the Civil war he worked in the commissary department for the government. Immediately after the war he came to Iowa with his father and brothers. For years he and his brothers owned the farm now owned by J. A. Flook and S. E. Raffety and developed it into a splendid property.

December 12, 1871, he was married to Mary A. Steele, at Arcade, New York. To them were born three sons, one of whom died in infancy. The other two survive, Charles L. Sanders of Modesto, California, and William S. Sanders of Grinnell. For a number of years the Sanders family lived at the corner of Sixth Avenue and Broad street in the home now owned by Frank Thackeray. At the time of the cyclone their home was at the corner of Seventh avenue and Park street. The home was blown down but the family fortunately escaped without serious injury. Mr. Sanders at once rebuilt.

*Mr. Sanders united with the Congregational church in Grinnell in 1871 and lived an exemplary Christian life at all times. For a number of years he served the church as deacon, and was one of the trusted and honored members.

In 1908 Mr. Sanders and his wife moved to Modesto, California, to make their home with their son, Charles. There Mrs. Sanders passed away March 4, 1909. After her death it was his custom to spend the winter months in California and to return for the summer to the familiar scenes and old friends of Grinnell. He has been failing steadily since last summer and November 9, 1919, at the age of 81, he fell asleep. His brother, Howard, associate in business for many years, survives him and two sons and eight grandchildren bear his honored name.

The funeral was held at the home of his son, Will, Tuesday morning, conducted by Rev. E. W. Geons. Bearers were warm friends of the deceased, S. J. Pooley, A. A. Foster, A. W. Child, S. E. Raffety, Harry Viets and T. C. Cessna.

Miss Margery Warner sang two solos. Burial was in the family lot in Hazelwood.

Mr. Sanders was one of the really strong men who have left their impress on Grinnell. His judgment was sound, his instincts correct and his conception of life's duties of the highest standard. The home was an ideal one and every good and noble impulse was cultivated and encouraged.

The name of the Sanders brothers—all of them—has always in this community stood for honor and honesty, true living, religious culture and the best and purest standards of Christian life. Lucius Sanders was of the noble type of men represented by the entire family and was a strong factor in giving Grinnell its high ideals.

Mr. Sanders served many years on the school board and was recognized as a man whose judgment could be relied upon, and he did much to help build up our good school system, and helped plan and build our beautiful high school building.

In all that was good Mr. Sanders loved the best and his wife who preceded him ten years to the spirit land was a wonderful assistant. He did all he could for the right, and it was much. None could do more.