Helped Build First Grinnell Gert College Building

(By a Staff Correspondent) Kellogg, Ia., May 28, Special: David V. Shill, 94, pioneer of Jasper county, died at the home of his son, W. A. Shill, at Humeston, Iowa, Sunday morning, May 19, at 9:30. Funeral services were held at the home there Wednesday morning of last week and the remains were brought to this place, where services were held at the Christian church at 2:30 p. m. that afternoon, with Erven E. Westerhold, pastor of the Four Square Gospel church in Newton, in charge. Burial was made in the family lot in Our Silent City.

David V. Shill was born near Dayton, Ohio, January 16, 1841. He came to Iowa with his parents in the fall of 1853 and located in Rock Creek township, later moving to Kellogg, where he made his home until 1919, when he went to live with his son.

He was united in marriage to Lucy Ann Trease at Lynnville, Iowa, March 29, 1868, and eight children were born of this union, four of whom died in infancy and three in later years. Mrs. Shill preceded him in death March 23, 1918.

The Shill family were among the first settlers of Jasper county, making the trip from Chio in a covered wagon. Mr. Shill drove a yoke of oxen to till the soil on his father's farm and also freighted goods from Iowa City, then the terminus of the C. R. I. & P. railway, with an ox team. He helped haul the stone used in the construction of the first Grinnell College building.

Surviving relatives include the son, W. A. Shill of Humeston, and numerous nieces and nephows here.