Viola Smothers Rites Today

Mrs. Viola M. Smothers, 52, the wife of Sam Smothers of Rte. 1, Sully, died Monday afternoon at University Hospitals in Iowa City. She had been in failing health since Thanksgiving and had been hospitalized in Iowa City the

past week.

The daughter of Dewey and Hazel Stewart, she was born Aug. 31, 1920, in Cheyenne, Wyo. At an early age, she moved with her family to Glendale, Calif., and attended high school there. She also attended Glendale Junior College. Mrs. Smothers was baptized and confirmed in the Episcopal faith. While in California she was a dental assistant.

In 1971, she and her husband Sam came to Sully to make their home.

She is survived by her husband; a son, William S. Burns of North Hollywood, Calif.; a daughter Mrs. Arthur (Judith L.) Bradley of Reseda, Calif.; six grandchildren; and an aunt and uncle. She was preceded in death by her parents and an infant sister.

Funeral services for Mrs. Smothers were held at 1:30 p.m. today at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Michael Tan Creti of St. Paul's Episcopal Church officiating. Organist was Mrs. Willard Heffner, Pallbearers were Robert D. Cooper, Shelby Cooper, Petc Goodyk, and Donald Rodgers.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.