Bessie Sparks services held

Bessie Jelsma Sparks, 99, of rural Lynnville died Monday, May 30, at Friendship Manor

A memorial service was conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Lynnville Friends Church, with the Rev. Kenneth L. Santee officiating. Burial was at Woodland Cemetery.

The daughter of Arend and Jennie Pietersma Jelsma, she was born Feb. 27, 1894, near Galesburg. She attended rural school and worked as a telephone operator in Sully and later in Lynnville.

On May 1, 1919, she was mar-

ried to Glen Sparks. The couple had one daughter, Minerva Genevieve. The family farmed west of Lynnville.

Mrs. Sparks is survived by one granddaughter; four great-grandchildren; one brother, John Jelsma of Grinnell; and two sisters, Ann Vander Kamp of Sully and Marie McBride of Newton.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her daughter; four brothers, Louie, Herman, Carl and Charles; and two sisters. Gertie Talbot and Susie Speas.

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