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Joint rites conducted for Staytons

Joint funeral services for William and Josephine Stayton were held at 10 a.m. today at the Grinnell United Church of Christ—Congregational. Mrs. Stayton died Sunday evening at Grinnell General Hospital, and Mr. Stayton died Monday evening, also at Grinnell General. *Sept. 7*

The Rev. Peter and Allyson Sawtell, co-pastors of the Newburg-Chester parish of the United Church of Christ, officiated. Organist was Alice Renaud. Vocalists were Virgil and Ruth Palmer and Delmar and Norma Jean Sharp. Pallbearers included Marvin Emmert, Willard Emmert, George Graham, Vernon Graham, Henry Harris, Charles Routier, Dean Douglas and Patrick Allen. Honorary pallbearers were Louis Fuller, Ola Gildersleeve, Keith Howell, Tracy Lidtka, Clarence Scohee, Beck Sutton, and Dick Sears.

Burial was at Chester Cemetery north of Grinnell, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Stayton was the daughter of Henry and Josephine Miller Bond and was born June 5, 1900, in Miller County, Mo. She attended rural school near her home.

William Stayton was born on July 13, 1902, at Olenan, Mo., to William and Minnie Jobe Stayton. He attended rural schools and later attended high school at Olenan.

They were married on June 23, 1922, at California, Mo. The couple had one daughter, Maxine. Following their marriage they farmed near Newton until 1924 when they moved to the Sheridan Township area to farm. They moved to their present farm in Chester Township in 1947. Both were active in the Sonora Grange, the Farm Bureau and the Chester Church.

William Stayton is survived by his daughter, Maxine Stayton of rural Grinnell; one sister, Mrs. Iveannah Blankenship of Eldon, Mo.; and four brothers, Dorsey Stayton of St. Louis, Mo., James G. Stayton of Harrisville, Mo., Lyman R. Stayton of Russellville, Mo., and Louis G. Stayton of Prairie

Home, Mo. He was preceded in death by his wife, his parents, and two brothers.

Josephine Stayton is survived by her daughter; three sisters, Mrs. Elsie Ray, Mrs. Jean Ussary, and Mrs. Dolly Inlow; and a brother, Carl Bond, all of California. She was preceded in death by her parents and her twin brother.