

Alice Watson Services Held

Mrs. Alice Rose Watson, 68, the widow of J. Forrest Watson of Rte. 1, Gilman, formerly of Grinnell, died late Sunday at St. Francis Manor, following a lengthy illness.

The daughter of Harry and Alice C. Hough Bayliss, she was born April 8, 1905, in Franklin County, Iowa. She attended local schools. On Nov. 20, 1935, she was married to James Forrest Watson at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa. The couple had one daughter, Mrs. James (Joann Virginia) Anderson of Rte. 1, Gilman.

Following their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Watson farmed in Decatur and Clarke counties until 1943, when they moved to Poweshiek County. They farmed southeast of Grinnell, and in 1960 they moved to Grinnell. Mr. Watson died July 3, 1965.

Mrs. Watson was a member of the Grinnell Christian Church and the Women's Fellowship. She had been associated with the Grinnell Shoe Factory, and for seven years she worked as a nurse's aide at the former Community Hospital and Grinnell General Hospital.

She is survived by her daughter; two grandchildren, Cynthia Louise and Daniel James Anderson; six sisters, Mrs. Hans (Bessie) Christensen of Hampton, Mrs. Willis (Violet) McCoy of Hampton, Mrs. John (Daisy) Zacharias of Des Moines, Mrs. Elmo (Jessie) Holm of Hampton, Mrs. Walter (Harriet) Feay of Belton, Tex., and Mrs. Bill (Genevieve) Meyer of Hampton; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents, four sisters, Mrs. George (Cornelia) Terrill, Mrs. George (Mary) Burns, Mrs. Bert (Nellie) Burns, and Miss Lilly Belle Bayliss; and one brother, Charles Bayliss.

Funeral services for Mrs. Watson were held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Grinnell Christian Church, with the Rev. Horace Schaffner, pastor of this church, officiating. Music was provided by Mrs. Chester Jones, organist, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown, vocalists. Flower bearers were Mrs. Burdette Abel and Mrs. Carl Togle. Pallbearers were George Burns, Roger Christensen, Merritt McCoy, Harry Terrill, Ernest Theis Jr., and LaVern Zacharias. Burial was in Pleasant Township Cemetery at Ewart, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Should friends desire, memorials in Mrs. Watson's name may be made to the Grinnell Christian Church.

(James Forrest)