

H-R March 10, 1983  
**Edith Willis services held**

Edith R. Willis, 90, of Colfax died early Monday morning, March 7, at the Colonial Manor in Baxter.

Funeral services were conducted at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Daniel Ogata of the First United Presbyterian Church officiating. Organist was Barbara Lien, and pallbearers were James Eastvold, Arnold Hagen, Edwin Jones, Keith Ryan, Evertt Wilson and Donald Yohe. Burial was at Hazelwood Cemetery.

Memorials in Mrs. Willis' name may be made to the Colfax Presbyterian Church.

The daughter of John and Verbenä Mason Rollins, she was born near Grinnell on Feb. 28, 1893. At the age of 2, she made her home with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Buchanan of Montour. She attended Grinnell High School, graduating in 1910, and later attended Grinnell College for one year.

In 1913, she graduated from Capital City Commercial Col-

lege in Des Moines. She had worked for Iowa State University, taught rural school near Traer, worked in the U.S. Treasury Department during World War I, and later worked as a deputy in the office of the municipal clerk of court in Des Moines.

She was married to George P. Willis on May 5, 1920, and Mr. Willis died that same year in a plane crash near Colfax. After working as deputy clerk, she moved to Ontario, Ore., and worked in the county recorder's office there. She retired in 1958 and returned to Colfax.

Mrs. Willis was a member of the Colfax Presbyterian Church, the Colfax Women's Club and the Colfax Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, and a charter and 50-year member of the Mercy Otis Chapter, D.A.R., in Des Moines.

There are no immediate survivors. Mr. Willis was preceded in death by her husband; three brothers, Jim L., Joe S. and Homer H. Rollins; and a sister, Dolly Sporup.

(George)