

FERN D. WOLFORD

(Lester)

Fern D. Wolford, 94, of Deep River, died Monday, Nov. 29, at the Mayflower Health Care Center in Grinnell.

Services for Mrs. Wolford were held at 1:30 p.m. Dec. 1 at the Watts Funeral Home in Montezuma, with the Rev. John Darlington officiating.

The organist was Mrs. Verla Van Dee who played, "Just A Closer Walk With Thee" during the service.

Casketbearers were Jim, Jerry, Steve, and Don Cranston, Steve Minner, and Steve McClenathan. Interment was in the Golden Rod cemetery at Deep River. The Watts Funeral Home in Montezuma was in charge of arrangements.

Fern D. Wolford, the daughter of Clinton and Carolyn Haag Cranston, was born Oct. 30, 1899 east of Deep River. She was united in marriage to Lester Wolford Dec. 24, 1918 at the home of her parents east of Deep River. Together they farmed west of Deep River in Jackson Township and raised registered Black Angus cattle which were their pride and joy. Lester died Sept. 24, 1962.

Mrs. Wolford was very fond of all types of animals, especially cats, and loved gardening and flowers. When her health failed, she moved into Deep River to live with her daughter and son-in-law Jeane and Ollie Moore. Together they cared for her until Ollie's death in 1989, and in later years by Jeane and special friend, Donn Blake. In March, 1993, she moved to the Mayflower Health Care Center in Grinnell.

She is survived by her daughter, Jeane Moore of Deep River, and special friend, Donn Blake; a sister, Fawn Mann of Montezuma, and two nieces, Carolyn Fisher of Banning, Calif. and Donna Heck of Newton.

Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, her son-in-law, Ollie Moore, and a brother, Marvin Cranston in 1984. Memorials may be designated to either the Deep River Fire Department or the Mayflower Health Care Center.

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