GERTRUDE MARIE BROWN

Gertrude Marie Branning Noring Brown, 89, died at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, 1984, at State Center Manor, State Center, Ia., where she had been a resident 2½ years.

She was born at Jamaica, Ia., Nov. 17, 1894, to Joseph and Maria Wistenburg Branning and attended school at Rockford, Ill.

She was married to Maurice Melville Noring, Jan. 20, 1917. To this union three boys and one girl were born — Glen Maurice of Mingo who died March 13, 1984; Verne Melville, Indianola, Ia.; Lucy Mae Geisler of Colo, Ia., and William Lee (Pete) of Fresno, Calif: They farmed in the Ames and Collins communities.

Maurice Noring died Aug. 4, 1958. Gertie married Myrl Brown of Collins Dec. 7, 1962, where they lived on a farm.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her sister, Lena Callahan of Nevada, Ia., and a brother, Harry Branning of Story City, Ia., one grandchild and one step grandchild.

After suffering several strokes she resided in the State Center Manor since the first of June, 1982.

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Gertie was a past noble grand and a member of the Rhodes Rebekah Lodge, a member of the Order of Eastern Star and the White Shrine of Ames, and past president of the Collins American Legion Auxiliary. She was a member of the Collins Christian Church.

Survivors in additon to her husband and children include 12 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, one stepdaughter, Doris Borts, one step grandson and two step great grandchildren.

Services were held at the Collins Christian Church Saturday, Oct. 13, with Rev. David Vernon officiating at 1:30 p.m. Music was provided by Chris Huntrods who accompanied Darwin Luing who sang "How Great Thou Art" and "The Old Rugged Cross."

Casket bearers were Dean Noring, Lowell Noring, Verlyn Noring, Vaughn Noring, Jerry Geisler and Dick DeMoss. Interment was at Story Memorial Gardens, Ames, Ia.

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Services are pending for Gertrude Brown of Collins who died at State Center Manor.

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