

Carver, Ben d. 11-24-1942

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Funeral services for the late Benjamin Carver were held last Thursday, Nov. 26, at the Collins Methodist church, with the Rev. Claude W. Cooper of Boone in charge of the services.

Music was furnished by a quartet composed of Mrs. G. C. Fish, Miss Calla Wood, E. S. Stuntz and Milton Hale, with Mrs. C. R. Stone at the piano. The quartet sang "He Leadeth Me" and "Shall We Gather at the River." Mr. Hale sang as a solo, "God's Tomorrow."

The floral offerings were arranged and cared for by the Misses Belva and Iva Swalwell and Mrs. Ora Hanson.

Interment was in the Collins Evergreen cemetery, with nephews of the deceased acting as pall bearers: Harland Carver, Jesse Carver, T. J. Carver, Wayne Carver, Floyd Carver and Dale Pearson.

Another longtime resident of the Collins community has closed the record of this life and has passed on into the life hereafter.

The following brief obituary was read during the services:

Benjamin Carver, son of Jabez and Ellen Jackson Carver, was born in Wyoming county, Pennsylvania, Nov. 22, 1856, and passed from this life at Collins, Iowa, Nov. 24, 1942, at the age of 86 years and 2 days.

When he was five years old, he moved with his parents to Rock county, Wisconsin, and a few years later to De Kalb county, Illinois. In the fall of 1875 he came to this section of Iowa and for 61 years had been a resident of the Collins community.

Coming west at a time when the country was new, he has helped to create the civilization we know and enjoy. He was a successful farmer, and in spite of his advanced years maintained an active interest in business and community affairs to the very last.

About 10 years ago, he moved into Collins and had since made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wade, longtime friends of the family, who did much to contribute to the comfort of his declining years.

Mr. Carver had a friendly disposition and was a good neighbor. He was generous in his support of the Church and community institutions.

He leaves to mourn his passing, three sisters, Mrs. Ada Hughes of Webster City, Mrs. Mate Garrett and Miss Florence Carver, both of Long Beach, Calif.; two brothers, Edwin Carver of Collins and Ira Carver of Oakes, North Dakota; also many other relatives and a host of friends.

Among the out-of-town relatives and friends attending the services were R. H. Teeters and Elmer Gallentine of Marshalltown; Mr. and Mrs. Grant Owen of Newton; Mrs. Ray Hughes and daughter Ruth, and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Carver, of Des Moines; Mr. and Mrs. Jay Pearson, the Misses Nettie and Hazel Stark, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Pearson, Dale Pearson, Robert Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Tomlinson, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Carver, Ruth and Byron Carver, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Huffaker and Mrs. Ursula Carver, all of Maxwell.

Benjamin Carver, 86, pioneer retired farmer and landowner, died at the Chas. Wade home in Collins Tuesday morning at 5 o'clock.

Mr. Carver, who had been in ill health for several years, had lived at the Wade home for the past ten years.

Born in Pennsylvania, Nov. 22, 1856, he was a son of Jabez and Ella Carver. He came to Iowa with his parents when a boy of 7 years. He was one of 13 children.

The family settled in north Jasper county, south of Collins, and Benjamin had lived in the community ever since they came to Iowa. He never married.

He is survived by two brothers, Ed Carver of Collins and Ira Carver of Oakes, N. D., and three sisters, Florence Carver of Long Beach, Calif., Mrs. M. Garrett of Long Beach and Mrs. Ada Hughes of Webster City.

Funeral services will be held today (Thursday) at 2:30 p. m., at the Collins Methodist church, with the Rev. Claude W. Cooper, district superintendent of the Methodist church, in charge.