

Died: Aug 2, 1969

Mrs. Bear Dead At 63; Rites Tuesday

RHODES — (Special) — Mrs. George (Ilma Irene) Bear, 63, Rhodes, died in Skiff Memorial Hospital in Newton Saturday morning, where she had been a patient for two weeks.

Services are set for 1:30 p. m. Tuesday at the United Methodist Church at Rhodes, with the Rev. Donald Artman officiating. Burial will be in Rose Hill Memorial Garden in Marshalltown. Boyd-Nickell Funeral Home, Baxter, is in charge of arrangements. Friends may call there after 2 p.m. Sunday.

She was born Dec. 25, 1905, at Rhodes, a daughter of Charles and Ida Ficken. She attended Rhodes schools and graduated in 1926. She was married to George Bear Oct. 18, 1927, in Marshalltown. After marriage, they farmed in the State Center and Rhodes community until moving to Rhodes in 1955, where she lived since. She had been in failing health for six months.

Mrs. Bear was a member of the United Methodist Church and the WSCS of the church, a member of the Rebekah Lodge at Rhodes and a former member of the Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors include a son, Franklin of Rhodes; a daughter, Mrs. Max (Shirley) Nason of Melbourne; 12 grandchildren; a brother, Gearhard Ficken of Rhodes; a sister, Mrs. Raymond (Ildra) Hayes of Des Moines. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband in 1964, a son, Richard, and a brother.