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James J. Fitzsimmons

Funeral services were held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Grey Saturday afternoon for James J. Fitzsimmons, with the Rev. Walter Rothwell giving the sermon. The pall bearers were his sons and sons-in-law, and a nephew, namely: W. E. Carey, F. O. Shelp, J. R. Grey, Wilbur Fitzsimmons, H. A. Fitzsimmons, and John Batie. His granddaughter, Jacqueline Grey, sang "The Old Rugged Cross." She was accompanied by Mrs. J. L. Hanks at the piano. The following obituary was read:

James Joseph Fitzsimmons, son of Elizabeth Cavanaugh and Patrick Fitzsimmons, was born in South Elgin, Ill. July 28, 1858.

As a young man he followed the trade of butter and cheese maker, working at this vocation in the vicinity of Chicago. He received his education in the Elgin schools. All his life he availed himself of every opportunity to broaden his education, and up until the time of his last illness was an avid reader and keenly interested in local and world affairs. He was affiliated with both the Modern Woodmen and Odd Fellow lodges, being a member of the latter for 65 years. At the time of his death he was a member of Lodge 330, at Lake City, Ia.

About 55 years ago he came to Sac county, Ia., where he operated a creamery 5 miles east of Lake View, and where he made his home with the David Belt family. It was her he met and married Margaret Batie on Dec. 9, 1891. The following spring they moved to Elm Grove township, in Calhoun county, where he owned and managed a country store, post office and creamery. For 5 years he ran a