

BALCOM, Goldie May Foster
(Nee: OXLEY) d. 7-28-1959
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Goldie May Balcom, daughter of John C. Oxley and Clara Carr Oxley, was born on a farm south east of Maxwell in Collins Township, November 12, 1893 and died in a hospital in St. Petersburg, Florida, July 28, 1959, following a heart ailment of a few days duration and had reached the age of 65 years, 8 months and 16 days.

She attended the rural school in the Peoria neighborhood and two years in Collins high school.

She went to Des Moines about the year of 1921, where she had employment and it was there that she married Robert F. Foster on May 7, 1927. Mr. Foster died on February 27, 1936. Goldie continued her residence in Des Moines, being employed by Tone Bros. Co. and the Cobb Mfg. Co.

She spent the winters of 1956 and 1957 in St. Petersburg, Florida and met Hartwell Balcom of that place, whom she married in Des Moines on June 14, 1958.

Mrs. Balcom was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Susan E., who died November 7, 1913. She is survived by her husband, Hartwell of St. Petersburg, a brother, Clyde M. Oxley of Maxwell, a sister Florence (Mrs. Fred) Mead of Collins, two nephews, Curtis Oxley of Des Moines, and John Oxley of Maxwell; three nieces, Corinne (Mrs. Lee) Faelz of Castro Valley, Calif., Maxine Oxley of Des Moines and Alice (Mrs. John Moore of Nevada; three grandnephews and two grandnieces.

The body accompanied by Mr. Balcom arrived in Des Moines Sunday, August 2 and funeral services were held in the Hamilton Funeral Home in Des Moines, Monday afternoon, August 3, with the Minister of the First Baptist Church of Des Moines of which she was a member, officiating.

MRS. FRED MEAD'S SISTER DIED

Mrs. Fred Mead received word Tuesday, July 28, of the death of her sister. Mrs. Goldie Balcom in St. Petersburg, Florida, on that afternoon, the cause being a heart attack,

Funeral services were held in the Hamilton Funeral Home in Des Moines, Monday afternoon, August 3, with the Order of the Eastern Star giving their ritualistic service,