

Hilda Craig 9/10/86

Mrs. Hilda Craig, 87, Groton, died at Colonial Manor, Groton, Sunday, Aug. 31, 1986.

The funeral services were held Wednesday, Sept. 3 at First Presbyterian Church, Groton, at 10 a.m., with the Rev. Richard C. Gelger officiating.

Burial was in Groton Union Cemetery, under the direction of Paetz-nick-Garress Funeral Chapel, Groton. Eastern Star rites were held at the church by Diana Chapter, OES.

Casketbearers were Jerroll Erdmann, Thomas Cavanaugh, Richard Kraft, Orville Simonson, Ted Wahl and Douglas Craig.

Organist was Mrs. Ben Anderson and a duet was sung by Lee Schinkel and Ken Loken. They sang "I Need Thee Every Hour" and "Just A Closer Walk With Me." The congregation sang, "Praise To The Lord, The Almighty." Ushers were Ben Anderson and Randy Hall.

Hilda Simonson was born June 6, 1899, at Glenwood City, Wis. She moved with her family to James in 1912 and attended Groton High School. She taught two years in a country school. She married Ben Craig at Aberdeen on September 23, 1920. After her children were raised, she attended Northern State College, Aberdeen, and taught in several schools in Brown and Day Counties.

She was a member of First Presbyterian Church, Groton, United Presbyterian Women and sang in the church choir for many years. She was a member of Diana Chapter OES, the 3-R Club and a past member of Retired Teachers.

Survivors include two sons, Dana, Watertown; and James, San Diego, Calif.; one daughter, Mrs. Louis (Joyce) Kraft, Aberdeen; seven grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, five brothers and four sisters.