

6-13-79
Mrs. Hazel Sour

Mrs. Hazel Phoebe Sour, 93, widow of the late B.M. Sour, died Saturday at a Watertown nursing home after a long illness. She was a former Groton resident.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2 p.m., at the Shaw-Messer Funeral Chapel in Watertown, preceded by a family service. The Rev. John Maines, pastor of the Groton United Methodist Church, officiated and burial was in Pleasant View cemetery at Hayti.

Casketbearers were three grandsons, Dick, Don and Dave Walder and three great grandsons, Jeff, Mike, and Wayne Walder.

Mrs. Sour, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Sibert, was born March 3, 1886, in Gladbrook, Ia., and was married to B.M. Sour on June 3, 1908, at Bemis. She came to South Dakota with her parents and spent her childhood in the Castlewood and Bemis area, attending school in Hamlin County and Geneseo, Ill. Following their marriage, the Sours farmed west of Hayti until 1919 when they moved to Hayti.

In 1950 they went to Groton, managing a motel for nine years. After her husband's death in 1961, Mrs. Sour remained in Groton until 1976 when she entered the Jenkins Methodist Home in Watertown.

She was a member of the Groton United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women, Phosde Club of Groton and Eastern Star.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Max (Gladyce) Walder of rural Hayti and Mrs. Clarence (Yvonne) Shelsta of Redwood City, Calif.; two sons, Harold and Dale Sour, both of Groton; two sisters, Mrs. John Weber of Rapid City and Mrs. P.E. Sturdwent of Eugene, Ore.; eight grandchildren, 24 great grandchildren and one great great grandson.