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Thursday, January 4, 1967

Last Rites Said For John Poots

Funeral services for John H. Poots were held this afternoon (Thursday) at the Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Chester Custer, minister of the Methodist church, officiating.

Palbearers were Max Bennington, Raymond Phipps, Jerold Poots, John Poots, Carrol Schnell and Lawrence Viera. Music was provided by Mrs. Wayne Dayton, vocalist, and Mrs. Willard Hefner, organist.

Mr. Poots, one of a family of ten children born to Robert and Nancy Kennedy Poots, was born near the Bethel community, southwest of Grinnell, on March 18, 1884. He had lived all of his life farming in Poweshiek and Jasper counties until the past two months when he and Mrs. Poots moved to 819 Center St., Grinnell.

Mr. Poots was preceded in death by his first wife, the former Elizabeth Haxcock; two children—Mrs. Margaret Anderson, and a son, Floyd, who passed away in infancy; and his five brothers and four sisters. He is survived by his widow, the former Marie Selig; a son, Raymond Poots of Newton; seven grandchildren; and 12 great grandchildren.

Burial was made in Sugar Creek Township cemetery, southwest of Grinnell.

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Monday, January 1, 1968

John Poots Dies; Services Thursday

John Poots, 83, of 819 Center St. in Grinnell, died New Year's Day at Grinnell General Hospital East following hospitalization of the past nine days.

The son of Robert and Nancy Kennedy Poots, Mr. Poots was born in Jasper County Iowa near the Bethel Community. He was married to Elizabeth Hixcock, who preceded him in death. To this union were born two children—Raymond Poots of Newton and Mrs. Margaret Anderson who died in 1960.

Mr. Poots had farmed all of his life southwest of Grinnell both in Poweshiek and Jasper County. On March 3, 1936 he married Marie Selig and they continued to live on the home farm until two months ago when they moved to Grinnell.

Survivors include his wife, Marie; his son Raymond; seven grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Mr. Poots was preceded in death by his parents, his daughter Margaret, his wife Elizabeth and five brothers and four sisters.

Funeral services for Mr. Poots will be held at 1:30 Thursday afternoon at the Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Chester Custer, minister of the Grinnell Methodist church, officiating.

Burial will be made in Sugar Creek cemetery, southwest of Grinnell.

Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home.