

MRS JOSEPH LURVEY

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Mrs. Mary Reed Lurvey died Saturday afternoon at her home at Eagle after months of patient suffering and was laid to rest in Oak Ridge cemetery Tuesday of this week. She was born in Ottawa 64 years ago and was married to Joseph J. Lurvey on December 31, 1863. They lived in that town until their removal at Eagle in 1895, where Mr. Lurvey is now postmaster. Mrs. Lurvey is survived by her husband, three daughters, Mrs. Fred Jacobson of Delafield, Miss Christine and Miss Mabel at home, and ne son, Charles Lurvey of Milwaukee; two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Horton of Algona, Ia., and Mrs. N.A. Wallace of Alabama; and two brothers, Wm Reed of Bellingham Wash.; and Sam Reed of Des Moines, Iowa. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the home.

Mrs. Bessie Greenwood McNary of Milwaukee sang two familiar hymns, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and "Abide With Me," with an impressiveness which only unaccompanied, singing can effect.

Beautiful flowers were around her, a fitting tribute to the beauty of her own life.

Old home friends from Ottawa came in numbers to the funeral service, the bearers being all intimate friends of the earlier days.

It is difficult to find words to justly express the character of Mrs. Lurvey. She was one of those rare women to know whom is a privilege and an inspiration. hers was a fine mentality. She judged the world broadly, ready always to guide aright, no hour too busy to turn aside to do a favor, tolerant of others failing, just to her friends, true to the highest and best. She never stooped below her standard. An ideal mother, a devoted wife, her home life was a precept. Their home was ever open with the genuine hospitality that called their friends back again and again. Her courage in the face of a hopeless physical ailment kept her from giving up until a few days before she died. The family were all with her when the summons came and she went as she had lived, bravely and peacefully.