

Obit.-Smale, Margaret

Jan. 19, 1896 -

Aug. 26, 2001

• Tuesday, August 28, '2001

Margaret Smale

PALMYRA - Margaret Smale, 105, of Palmyra, died Sunday, Aug. 26, 2001, at Fort Atkinson Memorial Hospital.

She was born Jan. 19, 1896, in Farndon, England, to William and Ellen (nee Bird) Brereton. She was the oldest of 10 children, Thomas, Nancy, John, George, Carrie, Harry, Rebecca, James and Nellie. In 1900 she attended school in Tilston, England, for the equivalent of eight years. As the eldest of 10 children, she went to work at age 13, as she needed to earn her own way in life. She worked on farms for the next 11 years. Her starting wage was our equivalent of \$25 per year and was paid once a year, getting small raises each year. She was able to save enough money to pay her way to America in 1920.

Margaret married Frank Smale on Nov. 30, 1922, and they lived the next 48 years in Little Prairie as farmers. They retired to Palmyra and spent seven winters in Florida. She loved doing fancy work, reading and knitting, as well as visiting with her family and friends.

She is survived by three children, Phyllis Bogie of Whitewater, Vera (Gordon) Wargowsky of Beloit and Frank Wesley (Rebecca) Smale of Palmyra; 11 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Rebecca (Oliver) Carr of Janesville and Carrie Hewett of England; and one brother, Harry (Nancy) Brereton of England. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank; one son, Marvin; six brothers and one sister.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 29, at the Little Prairie United Methodist Church; the Rev. Lucinda Alwa will officiate. Friends may visit on Wednesday at the church from 1 p.m. until the 3 p.m. service. Burial will be at Little Prairie Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Rainbow Hospice, 147 W. Rockwell, Jefferson, WI 53549, or Little Prairie Methodist Church are appreciated.

Mealy's Funeral Home of Eagle, 594-2442, is serving the family.

In Loving Memory of

Margaret Smale

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Little Prairie United Methodist Church

Little Prairie, Wisconsin

Officiant

Pastor Lucinda Alwa

Interment

Little Prairie Cemetery

Little Prairie, Wisconsin

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