

SHEPARD, ELMYRA JANE HODGINS
September 21, 1869-March 15, 1954

An extended illness ended here in the death, March 15, with the passing of Elmyra Jane Shepard, widow of pioneer businessman, Tom Shepard, who preceded her in death four and one-half months ago. Funeral services were held this afternoon (Thursday) at two o'clock at the Schrader chapel with the Rev. J.B. Milstead officiating.

Burial was in the Wheatland cemetery with the following serving as pallbearers: George Martin, Lawrence Jordan, Tom McGill, M.A. Thrasher, James Chaplin and Adam Boyd.

Born Elmyra Jane Hodgins, the daughter of David and Sade Hiatt Hodgins in Milo, Iowa, September 21, 1869, Mrs. Shepard was 85 years of age at the time of her death. She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Shepard was a real pioneer in this community, having been a resident since 1896, when she came to Wheatland by covered wagon with her brother, Harold Hodgins. She kept house for her brother and two cousins, Charles and Jack Hightower, until her marriage here to Thomas R. Shepard June 8, 1898. She was a past matron of O.E.S.