

Deaths

Violet M. Smith

ROCHELLE — Violet M. Smith, 82, formerly of Malta, died Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1986, at the Rochelle Manor Nursing Home.

She was born on Sept. 25, 1903, in Creston, the daughter of Ole and Marie (Olson) Gittleson. She married John Smith on Jan. 12, 1927, in Creston.

She attended Methodist churches in Esmond, Malta and Creston.

She is survived by four sons, Lyle and Galen of DeKalb, LaVerne of Esmond, and Richard of Rochelle; a daughter, Mrs. Arthur (Donna) Gifford, of Rockford; a brother, John Gittleson, of Esmond; two sisters, Sarah Tastad, of Creston, and Mildred Berg, of Dennison, Texas; 15 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband on Feb. 17, 1960, six brothers and two sisters.

The funeral will be Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the Unger-Horner Funeral Home in Rochelle with the Rev. Donald Myhres officiating. Burial will be in Greenview Cemetery in Esmond.

Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. tonight at the funeral home.

Charles H. Bannister

Charles H. Bannister, 97, of DeKalb and formerly of Florida, died Wednesday,

Feb. 26, 1986, at the Pine Acres Nursing Home in DeKalb.

He was born Oct. 8, 1888, in DeKalb, the son of Harwood and Jennie (Townsend) Bannister. He first married Ethel C. Holmgren in DeKalb and later married Ester J. Davis in Florida.

He was a DeKalb area farmer and had been employed at the General Electric plant in DeKalb for six years before his retirement.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of DeKalb.

He is survived by his wife Ester, two sons, Russel Bannister, of Somonauk and Loren Bannister, of St. Louis; one daughter, Mrs. Leonard (Marcia) Stidley, of Elburn; one stepson, George Davis, of Indianapolis, Ind.; eight grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, two brothers and one sister.

Private family services will be scheduled at a later date. Cremation will take place at the River Hills Memorial Park.

No visitation is planned.

Alberta Hintzsche

Alberta Hintzsche, 81, of DeKalb, died Feb. 26, 1986, at Kishwaukee Community Hospital.

She was born on March 23, 1904, the daughter of Otto and Caroline (Halverson) Lynde. She married