In Memoriam

Jean McNaughton-Stevens
Hon. Past Worthy Grand Matron
of
North Dakota

Born February 12, 1856
Died July 15, 1936
JEAN McNAUGHTON-STEVENs
Grand Chaplain
1908-1928
DEAR SISTERS AND BROTHERS:

It is with the deepest sorrow that we announce the passing of our beloved Jean McNaughton-Stevens in Mercy Hospital at Devils Lake, July 15, 1936.

Jean McNaughton was born February 12, 1856, in Dumfries, Scotland, and was educated in her father's private school where she later assisted him as a teacher and upon his death became head of the school.

In 1889 she came to America at the behest of old friends who had settled in Ward County and who needed a teacher for their children. Thus she became one of the pioneer teachers in that county and distinguished as one of the most outstanding educators of our State. She served McHenry County for many years as County Superintendent.

On April 10, 1895, she was united in marriage at Towner, North Dakota, to Evarts C. Stevens, where they established their home until the passing of her "Comrade" in 1925.

Sister Stevens was initiated in Sylvan Chapter No. 21 at Towner, July 13, 1895, and served as Worthy Matron in 1907—the same year was appointed Grand Marshal of the Grand Chapter of North Dakota. In 1908 she was appointed Grand Chaplain, serving in that capacity until 1928

During Grand Chapter Season of 1924 Sister Stevens was elected an Honorary Past Worthy Grand Matron.

She was a life long member of the Presbyterian Church and more than forty years an active member of the W. C. T. U. and Woman's Relief Corps.

On May 12, 1936, Sister Stevens suffered a fall, fracturing her hip, and confined in the hospital at Devils Lake until July 15th, when a heart attack together with other complications brought to a close a long and beautiful life—forty-one years of loving, faithful, devoted service to our Order.

Hers was a wonderful record, and in the years following her official work she exhibited the same love and zeal, one of her most favorite remarks being "Let us follow the Gleam."

The impressive funeral ceremonies of Grand Chapter conducted by our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers, were held in the Masonic Temple at Devils Lake and the body was taken to Wisconsin where it was lovingly laid to rest beside that of her "Comrade."
We who were favored with Greetings from her "Chimney Corner" will miss these loving messages, but the memory of her beautiful life will be an inspiration always.

God's ways are past our understanding. Sister Jean filled out more than her allotted time and was ready when the call came from the Grand Chapter above.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to her dear ones and to all kin who lived around her.

"Say not her work is done;
No deed of love or goodness ever dies,
But in the lives of others multiplies,
Say, it is just begun."

In loving memory of our departed Sister let this Memorial be read in each Chapter at the first stated meeting after its receipt and the charter be draped for thirty days.

MEDA H. PRATT,
Worthy Grand Matron.

REV. N. E. ELSWORTH.
Worthy Grand Patron

ATTEST:

MINNIE E. RUSK,
Grand Secretary.