Barbara Kleinschmidt

Barbara Howard Kleinschmidt, 91, of Grinnell died Tuesday, April 22, 2003, at Mayflower Health Care Center.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Smith College, Northampton, Mass., or Grinnell Regional Hospice.

The daughter of Lawrence Augustus and Edith Howell Bond Howard, she was born Aug. 18, 1911, in Hartford, Conn. She was a 1933 graduate of Smith College and received the master of arts degree from Brown University in 1940. She taught at Miss Porter's School in Farmington, Conn., for several years and was instrumental in developing its Junior Year Abroad program in Geneva, Switzerland.

She was married to John Rochester Kleinschmidt on May 30, 1942, in Lawton, Okla. She lived in Geneva and Paris, France, before moving in 1948 to Grinnell, where she taught briefly at Grinnell College. With her husband, she enjoyed many summers on their islands "The Three Bears" near Parry Sound, Ontario, and they traveled extensively in Europe and Japan. She was a member of the Elizabeth Earle Magoun Club in Grinnell.

She is survived by one niece, Edith J. (Bonny) Gilbert of Savannah, Ga., and one great nephew, J. Parker Gilbert of Marietta, Ga. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and one sister, Elizabeth Howard Jones.