Mrs. Ardella Taylor, 76

Mrs. Ardella Taylor, 76, of Grinnell, a former resident of Brooklyn, died on Tuesday, July 1, 2003, at Friendship Manor Care Center, Grinnell.

Services will be held 10 a.m. on Wednesday, July 9, at the Nevenhoven Funeral Home in Brooklyn. Her son, Rev. Kenneth Taylor, will officiate the services. Interment in Brooklyn Memorial Cemetery will follow the service.

The casket bearers will be Raymond Taylor, James Taylor, Kenneth Taylor, Emmett Taylor, Leslie Taylor, Nathan Taylor, William Taylor, Jason Taylor, Mark Dietman and Joshua Poland.

The Nevenhoven Funeral Home in Brooklyn is in charge of arrangements.

A memorial fund has been established for Grace United Methodist Church of Brooklyn, Guernsey United Methodist Church, Grinnell Regional Medical Center or the Citizens Scholarship Foundation.

Margery Ardella McSherry Taylor, daughter of Charles Willard and Alma Belle Willard McSherry, was born Aug. 29, 1926, near Brooklyn. She graduated from Brooklyn High School in 1943. On Aug. 29, 1945, she married John William Taylor in Ottumwa.

The couple lived in Guernsey from 1945 to 1965 when they moved to Brooklyn. She was a homemaker. She also was co-owner of Taylor Insurance. Her husband died on May 1, 1974. Later, she sold the insurance business and moved to Grinnell in 1977. She worked for the Grinnell Regional Medical Center. Since April 2000, she had been a resident of Friendship Manor.

She was a member of the Methodist churches of Guernsey, Brooklyn and Grinnell. She also was a charter member of the 4-H club, and was a member of the United Methodist Women and a garden club. She was one of the first members of the Sheridan United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Taylor was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Richard; her sister, Elizabeth Terrilliger; and her brother, Frederick McSherry.

Surviving are her daughter, Barbara Taylor, of Cedar Rapids; her sons and their spouses, Raymond and Becky Taylor of Cedar Rapids, James and Linda Taylor of Phoenix, Ariz., Kenneth and Marty Taylor of Miami, Fla., and Emmett and Michelle Taylor of St. Paul, Minn.; her brother, Stewart McSherry, of Denver; her sister, Mary Frances James, of Longmont, Colo.; and 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

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Margery Ardella McSherry Taylor, daughter of Charles Willard and Alma Belle Breniman McSherry, was born Aug. 29, 1926, near Brooklyn. She received her education in Brooklyn, graduating from high school in 1943. She was married to John William Taylor on Aug. 29, 1945, in Ottumwa. They lived in Guernsey from 1945 to 1965 when they moved to Brooklyn. She was a homemaker and she and her husband owned and operated Taylor Insurance. Following the death of her husband in 1974, she sold the insurance business and moved in 1977 to Grinnell where she worked for Grinnell Regional Medical Center. She has resided at Friendship Manor since April, 2000.

She was a member of United Methodist Churches in Guernsey, Brooklyn and Grinnell. She also was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, United Methodist Women and a garden club. She was a 4-H leader, taught Sunday School for many years and sang in the choir. She also played the organ at Sheridan United Methodist Church.

She is survived by one daughter, Barbara Taylor of Cedar Rapids; four sons, Raymond Taylor of Cedar Rapids; James Taylor, Phoenix, Ariz.; Kenneth Taylor, Miami, Fla., and Emmett Taylor of St. Paul, Minn.; ten grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; one brother, Stewart McSherry, Denver, Colo.; and one sister, Mary Frances James, Longmont, Colo. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, one son, Richard Taylor; one sister, Elizabeth Terrilliger and one brother Frederick McSherry.