

## Dora E. Gritsch, 90

Dora E. Gritsch, age 90 of Brooklyn, died Thursday, Nov. 20, 2008, at Mercy Hospital in Iowa City, following a brief illness.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 25, at the First Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, with the Rev. John Reynolds officiating. Burial was in the Brooklyn Memorial Cemetery. Memorials may be contributed to the First Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, or the Iowa City Hospice.

She is survived by two daughters, Dona Emmert and husband, Dale, of Grinnell, and Doris Gregory and husband, Don, of Montezuma; a son, Dennis Gritsch and wife, Brenda, of Iowa City; eight grandchildren, three step-grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, five great-great grandchildren; and a sister, Opal Barns of Grinnell.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Howard in 1972; and two brothers, Charles and Robert Dillon.

Dora Emma Dillon was born March 31, 1918, in Velpen, Ind., the daughter of George and Lelah Wineinger Dillon. The family moved to Iowa in 1924. Dora attended Hartwick High School, and married Howard Gritsch on May 16, 1934, in Brooklyn. Dora helped her husband on the farm, and owned and operated a woman's clothing shop, Dora's Style Shoppe, in Brooklyn, from 1959-1963. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Brooklyn, the American Legion Auxiliary, and the Daughters of the American Revolution. She enjoyed sewing, shopping, cooking, making jellies and jams and canning foods. She also enjoyed her flowers. Online condolences may be extended to the family via the Web site, [www.klosterfuneralhome.com](http://www.klosterfuneralhome.com).



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