MARY VIRGINIA WEST

Mary Virginia West, 91, of Deep River died Sept. 24, at the Mayflower Care Center in Grinnell. Graveside services were held Sept. 28 at the Elgin Cemetery near Mystic. Memorial contributions may be made to the Deep River Fire Department.

Mary Virginia West was born on Oct. 4, 1920 in Kansas City, Mo., the daughter of Park and Lillian (Brazwell) Silvius. Virginia attended school in the Kansas City area. She married Lauren West in 1936 in Marshalltown. To this union two sons were born, Douglas and Dennis. He later passed away. Virginia worked as a nurse in the Marshalltown area for several years.

In 1964, she became a licensed foster parent, where she cared for 109 foster children. Later in life she met Daryl Goodlow and they made their home near Deep River. Daryl and Virginia helped establish dances in the Deep River area. Virginia enjoyed sewing, needle work and dancing.

Her memory was honored by her two sons, Douglas (Pat) West of Marshalltown and Dennis (P!) West of Las Vegas; special friend, Daryl Goodlow of Deep River and numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mary Virginia was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and two sisters, Cornelia and Jo.