Alice Clara Thompson

Alice Clara Thompson, 92, of Grinnell died Nov. 18, 2014, at the Mayflower Community Health Care Center in Grinnell.

Funeral services are scheduled for 2 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 21, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with the Rev. Ron Hodges, St. Mary's Catholic Church, officiating. Pallbearers will be family members. Burial will be in the Westfield Cemetery, south of Grinnell.

Visitation with the family present will be held one hour prior to the funeral service at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Mayflower Human Needs Fund.

Alice was born Feb. 19, 1921, on her family farm, north of Brooklyn, the daughter of Peter and Clara VanPolarbea DeCorte. She was raised in the Brooklyn area and received her education in rural schools near her home.

On Sept. 6, 1944, she was united in marriage with Daryl V. Thompson, at St. Patrick's Parish in Brooklyn. The couple farmed near Brooklyn and later moved to a farm southwest of Grinnell in the Bethel Community. She was employed at Swift and Company for 17 years with the Grinnell Shoe Factory. When the company closed she was very active helping with the farm operations. After her husband died in 1984, she sold the farm in 1985 and moved to the Mayflower Community.

Alice loved to crochet and had made many potholders and afghans. She loved to garden and froze or canned her produce. She loved to listen to old country music and was very attached to her many dogs and horses.

She is survived by younger relatives, including her nieces Frances Davis of Grinnell and Marian Ricken of Marshalltown.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.