

Ruth Brown



Ruth Brown, 91, of Grinnell died Wednesday, March 9, 2005, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A funeral service was held Monday, March 14, at the United Methodist Church with the Rev. Len Eberhart officiating. Organist was Kathleen Heffner and vocalist was Mylene Hanzelka. Pallbearers were Randall Cook, Linda Lynch, Paul Cook, Bradley Brown, Brently Brown, Otto Brown, Kim Brown, Jenny Riedel, Mandy Neuman and Kari Klien. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the United Methodist Church.

The daughter of Jesse Edward and Ada Burdick Gross, she was born June 10, 1913, in Grinnell and was a 1932 graduate of Grinnell High School. She was married on Nov. 28, 1935, to Ellis L. Brown at her parents' home and the couple made their home in Grinnell. She was a homemaker and also for several years during the early 1960s assisted her husband in baking at Brown's Bakery. She was a member of the United Methodist Church and active in United Methodist Women. She also was a member of the Order of Eastern Star, Grinnell Rebekah Lodge, Beta Sigma Phi and a past president of the Poweshiek County Federated Women's Club.

She is survived by one daughter Judy Cook of Grinnell; three sons, Rodney Brown of Las Cruces, N. M., and James Brown and Bennett Brown, both of Grinnell; ten grandchildren; 11 great grandchildren and one sister, Elaine Stanley of Grinnell. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Ellis and two brothers, Clarence and Cloyd Gross.

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