Thelma E. Hadley, 95

8-18-2016

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Thelma E. Hadley, age 95, of The Woodlands, Texas, died Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2016, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with her husband, Corwin, by her side. She was born in Grinnell on April 24, 1920, to William and Grace (Davis) Johnson.

She was united in marriage to Corwin Owen Hadley on August 14, 1938, in Grinnell. In this union were born their children William, Donna, Steven and Marcia. The couple purchased a farm in New Providence, Iowa, and lived there most of their lives.

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