

Margaret Olson

Margaret Olson, 91, of Grinnell, died on Friday, Nov. 27, 2015, at the Mayflower Health Care Center in Grinnell. Services are pending with the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell.

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Margaret A. Olson, 91, of the Mayflower Community in Grinnell died Friday, Nov. 27, 2015, in the Mayflower Health Care Center.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2016, in the Carman Center of the Mayflower Community with the Rev. Christine Tinker officiating.

Interment will be at a later date at Our Silent City Cemetery near Kellogg. Should friends desire, memorials may be directed to the Mayflower Human Needs Fund or to the Mayflower Employee Scholarship Fund. Smith Funeral Home of Grinnell is handling arrangements.

Margaret was born on Sunday, Jan. 13, 1924, to Gilmore and Marie Elliott Robbins in Grinnell. She was raised in Grinnell and graduated from Grinnell High School with the Class of 1942, then received a nursing degree from the Mercy Hospital School of Nursing in Marshalltown.

On Aug. 2, 1946, she married Marlyn "Ole" Olson in Grinnell. The couple made their home in Grinnell, where she worked as a nurse for local hospitals.

Margaret and Ole later lived at Rock Creek Lake and in Kellogg. She enjoyed sewing, cooking, bird-watching, artwork and crafts. She also enjoyed traveling and camping with her husband.

Survivors include her daughter, Linda Manley of Osceola; four grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; one great great granddaughter; two sisters, Betty Davis of Brooklyn and Pat Conn of Grinnell; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband; one son, Jim Olson; her parents; one brother, Gilmore "Doc" Robbins; and one sister, Mary Henderson.