

Gayle R. Goodman



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Gayle R. Goodman, 88, of rural Millersburg died of cancer at her home on Monday, Jan. 29, 2007.

A celebration of life service was held Thursday, Feb. 1, at the Community Church, rural Deep River, with Dan Dickey, pastor, officiating and burial following in the Millersburg Cemetery. A memorial has been established for the East Iowa Bible Camp and Missionary Russell George. Condolences may be left at www.powellfuneralhomes.com.

She was born May 17, 1918, the daughter of Godfrey E. and Jennie Ryan Veit. She was a graduate of Hartwick High School and received a teaching degree from the former Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls, now the University of Northern Iowa. She was influenced to become a teacher by a wonderful third-grade teacher she had had. She taught for one year in a rural school, then for three years at Millersburg Public School. She was married to Harold Goodman in 1942 and they made their home on a farm near Millersburg. After raising her children, she returned to teaching in the Deep River-Millersburg School District for a total of 21 years.

She was a member of the Community Church where she was a Sunday School teacher and Bible School director, and always lent a hand to a neighbor. She directed craft work at East Iowa Bible Camp for 22 years, was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, and enjoyed genealogy and history, as well as her family.

She is survived by one daughter, Mary Ellen DeMar of rural North English; two sons Gene Goodman of Grinnell and Don Goodman of Colfax; six grandchildren, four great grandchildren and one sister, Bernice Cronbaugh of Brooklyn. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.