Winifred Thulin Grant

Winifred Martha Thulin Grant, 91, died Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2006, at St. Francis Manor in Grinnell.

A memorial service was held Monday, Sept. 11, at the Dexter Presbyterian Church in Dexter.

She was born Nov. 1, 1912, in Stuart, Iowa, to Nels Alfred and Ida Caroline Low Thulin. She was raised in the Stuart Congregational Church and graduated from Stuart High School in 1932. She attended Iowa State Teachers College (now UNI) and Simpson College. She taught at Penn Center rural school for five years, at Waukee Public School for one year and at Dexter Elementary School for five years. She later was editor of the Dexter Sentinel. She served on the Dexter School board and was secretary for both Dexter and Dexfield school districts. As a member of the Dexter Presbyterian Church, she served as an elder. She concluded her professional career at Drake University.

On June 40, 1943, she was married to Orville James Grant in Maryville, Mo., after an 11-year courtship. They celebrated 55 years of marriage. To this union were born three children, Sandra, Warren and Paul.

A lifelong quilter, she shared her passion for quilting by teaching others and by creating over 100 quilts, many of which were gifts to friends and family.

She is survived by her daughter Sandra Bullock of Moorcroft, Wyo., and two sons, Warren Grant of Grinnell and Paul Grant of Rapid City, S. D.; seven grandchildren, one great grandson, and one sister Barbara Cline of Menlo. She was preceded in death by her husband Orville and four brothers, Harold, Warren, Samuel and Robert.