

## Thelma 'Ruth' Lyons

Thelma "Ruth" Klontz Lyons, 85, died Tuesday, April 17, at Mayflower Health Care Center where she had resided for the last 3 1/2 years. Prior to that, she lived in Van Meter for over 50 years.

A service will be held Saturday, April 21, at 11 a.m. in the United Methodist Church in Van Meter with burial in the Van Meter Cemetery. Friends may call after 3 p.m. Friday at McCalley Funeral Home in Adel where family members will greet friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Memorials may be made to Grinnell Regional Hospice.

She was born Nov. 29, 1921, in Fort Des Moines to Jesse and Marguerite Thompson Klontz. She was married on April 11, 1939, in Bethany, Mo., to Carl William Lyons.

She is survived by her daughter Barbara Engberg of Grinnell; two sons, Carl Lyons Jr. of Van Meter and James Lyons of Des Moines; five grandchildren; two great grandchildren; four step grandchildren, seven great grandchildren; two sisters, Mary Van Pelt of Van Meter and Karen Port of California, and one brother Vince Gimondo of Tennessee. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Carl in 1992, one sister and three brothers.

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