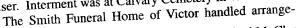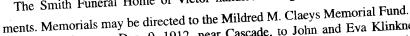# Mildred (Mim) Claeys, 95

Mildred (Mim) Claeys, age 95, of Brooklyn and formerly of Victor, died Friday, Jan. 18, 2008, at Brookhaven Nursing Home.

A funeral service was held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 21, at St. Bridget's Catholic Church in Victor with Father Philip Ryan officiating. Organist was Verabeth Bricker and vocalist was Anna Upah. Casket bearers were Jim, Joe and Molly Claeys, and Matt, Andrew and Katie Fiser. Interment was at Calvary Cemetery in Victor.

The Smith Funeral Home of Victor handled arrangements. Memorials may be directed to the Mildred M. Claeys Memorial Fund.

Mim was born on Dec. 9, 1912, near Cascade, to John and Eva Klinkner Cavanaugh. She was raised on the family farm and later moved into Cascade. She graduated from St. Martin's High School with the class of 1930.

She was united in marriage to Charles J. Claeys on April 24, 1934, at St. Martin's Catholic Church in Cascade. The couple lived in Victor and she was a homemaker.

Mim was a member of the St. Bridget's Catholic Church in Victor, the Altar and Rosary Society and the Newman Study Club. She volunteered many hours at the Veterans Medical Center in Iowa City and the Victor Congregate Meals. Her enjoyments included playing bingo and cards with her friends, crocheting and quilting.

Mim is survived by her children, Bette (Daryl) Fiser of Victor, and John (Beverly) Claeys of Omaha, Neb.; six grandchildren, Jim (Teresa) Claeys of Marengo, Joe (Ellen) Claeys of Iowa City, Molly Claeys of Omaha, Matt (Eleanor) Fiser of Jacksonville, Fla., Andrew Fiser and Katie Fiser, both of Victor; five great-grandchildren, Jenny, Janet and Jessica Claeys of Marengo, Anthony Ward of Victor, and Mattias Fiser of Jacksonville, Fla.; her daughter-in-law, Pat Claeys of Iowa City; and several nieces and nephews.

Mildred was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Charles J. Claeys on July 5, 1985; one son, Bill Claeys on Jan. 18, 1995; one granddaughter, Angela Fiser on Oct. 20, 1998; her brothers, Fred and Bob Cavanaugh; and her sisters, Carrie Cavanaugh, Sister Joanes Cavanaugh B.V.M., Lulu O'Brien, and Eileen Digmann.