

# Lillian M. Criswell

Lillian M. Criswell, 89, of Grinnell died May 22, 2000, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services for Mrs. Criswell were May 26 at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with the Rev. John Epperson, pastor of the Grinnell Christian Church, officiating. Organist was Teresa Thompson and vocalists were LeRoy and Doris Calvin.

Pallbearers were Lonnie, Glen, and Oliver Asberry, Carlan, Kirby and Ted Criswell and Charles Douglas, Jr.

Burial was in Lower Blue Point Cemetery.

The daughter of Lewis A. and Dora May Bridgeman Asberry, she was born October 28, 1910 in Wayne County, Ky. She received her education in rural schools near her home and moved to the Grinnell area in the late 1920s. On November 3, 1931, she married Ted Criswell in Newton. The couple made their home in Grinnell.

Mrs. Criswell was employed at the canning factory in Grinnell and for several years worked as a housekeeper for several families. She later worked at the Mayflower Home in Grinnell.

She was a member of the Northside Friends Church.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband; four daughters in infancy, Doris, Ruth, Mamie and Deloris Criswell; two great-grandchildren and one brother, Bill Asberry.

Mrs. Criswell is survived by four children, Carl Criswell of Lincoln, Neb.; Eva Burnley of Madison Heights, Va.; Ruby Douglas of Grinnell and Gene Criswell of Grinnell; three sisters, Lucille Hiner and Neva and Eva Asberry, all of Grinnell; 17 grandchildren and 34 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be directed to the Lillian M. Criswell Memorial Fund.

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Surviving are four children, Carl of Lincoln, Neb., Eva Burnley of Madison Heights, Va., Ruby Douglas of Grinnell and Gene of Grinnell; one brother, Carson Asberry of Grinnell; three sisters, Lucille Hiner, Neva Asberry and Eva Fortner, all of Grinnell; 17 grandchildren; and 34 great-grandchildren.

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A Lillian M. Criswell Memorial Fund has been established.

MR May 31, 2000