

Esther Dawson

Esther I. Dawson, 98, of Grinnell died Friday, June 28, at St. Francis Manor.

A graveside service is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday at Hazelwood Cemetery, with the Rev. John Epperson, pastor of the Grinnell Christian Church, officiating.

Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home from 8 to 10 a.m. Tuesday.

She was born Aug. 15, 1903, in Sigourney to Lewis and Marguerite Kerkove White. She was raised in Sigourney and was a graduate of Sigourney High School.

On July 14, 1923, she was married to Clyde A. Dawson in Oskaloosa. They lived in the Sigourney area, and she later moved to Oskaloosa and worked at the former Continental Overall Factory. She retired in 1964 and moved to Grinnell in 1998.

She was a member of the First Christian Church of Oskaloosa.

Surviving are one daughter, Virginia Utterback of Colorado Springs, Colo.; 10 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; one daughter, Betty Utterback; two sons, Norvin and Durward Dawson; three brothers; and four sisters.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the First Christian Church of Oskaloosa.

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