

Elsie Elliott ¹⁰/₃₁/₇₂
Rites Friday

(Ralph E.)

Elsie Elliott, 83, a resident of the Mayflower Home here, died Tuesday evening at Grinnell General Hospital.

The daughter of William and Ella Mason Sheplee, she was born March 23, 1889, near Clarion, Iowa. She attended the Clarion public school and was graduated from Clarion High School in 1907. Following her graduation, she attended a private dramatic school in Des Moines. Before and after her marriage she taught dramatics in the Clarion schools, as well as other schools in the state.

She was married to John P. Carmichael May 5, 1909, at Clarion. The couple had two daughters: Mrs. D. E. (Berniece) Weld of Hubbard and Mrs. Delmer (Patricia) Whitmer of Eldora. Mr. Carmichael preceded her in death in December of 1939. Following his death she was a house mother at various colleges—Shirmer College at Mt. Carroll, Ill.; Eureka College at Eureka, Ill.; and Northwest Christian College at Eugene, Ore.

On Oct. 21, 1956, she was married to Ralph E. Elliott at Eugene. He preceded her in death July 20, 1959. In 1961 she moved to Grinnell and made her home in Mayflower Home.

Mrs. Elliott was a member of the Church of Christ and later transferred her membership to the United Church of Christ-Congregational here. She was a past matron of the Eastern Star of Clarion, Chapter 136, and was a member of Hubbard Chapter 512 of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include her two daughters; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Alice McWilliams of Des Moines. Besides her parents and her husbands, she was preceded in death by a brother, Raymond W. Sheplee.

Services for Mrs. Elliott will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 3, at the Dennison Chapel in Mayflower Home, with the Rev. Ralph Beebe officiating. Services will also be conducted at 2:30 p.m. at the Church of Christ at Clarion, and burial will be in the Evergreen Cemetery at Clarion.

Friends may call at the James-Schalinske Funeral Home.