

Mabel Fuerst (WILLIAM)

Mabel Fuerst, 92, died Friday, June 2, at the Mayflower Health Care Center.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. David T. Brandt, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Grinnell, officiating. Organist will be Margaret Wheeler, and pallbearers will be Paul Ahrens, Raymond Ahrens, Merlin Luttman, Jim McIlrath, William Nagel Jr. and Wilbur Osland.

Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery.

The daughter of Henry and May Pickhardt Oltrogge, she was born Jan. 22, 1903, on the family farm in Sheridan Township. She received her education at Sheridan No. 4 School.

She was married to William Fuerst Nov. 15, 1932, in Lancaster, Mo. They farmed in Sheridan and Chester townships. She had been a Mayflower resident since July 1993.

She was a member of the Poweshiek County Farm Bureau and Trinity Lutheran Church.

Surviving are her children, Bob of Grinnell and Margaret Cadden of Brooklyn; four grandchildren; three great-granddaughters; two sisters, Louise Nagel of Grinnell and Elma Lytton of Statesville, N.C.; and one brother, Eldon Oltrogge of Grinnell.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one sister, Marie Plum; and two brothers, Louis and Fritz Oltrogge.

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The daughter of Henry and May Pickhardt Oltrogge, Mabel was born Jan. 22, 1903 on her families farm, in Sheridan Township, Poweshiek County. She received her education at Sheridan #4 rural school.

She was married to William Fuerst Nov. 5, 1932, in Lancaster, Mo. The couple farmed in Sheridan Township and later Chester Township for many years. She had been a resident of Mayflower since July of 1993.

She was a member of the Poweshiek County Farm Bureau and Trinity Lutheran Church, where she was baptized and confirmed and taught Sunday School.

Mabel enjoyed her life on the farm, working in her vegetable and flower gardens, and keeping active with her needle point and fancy work. She held a great interest in her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by her children, Bob Fuerst of Grinnell and Margaret Cadden of Brooklyn; four grandchildren, Mary Oliver of Stewartsville, Mo., Karen Timm of Victor, and Kenneth and George Cadden, both of Brooklyn; three great-granddaughters, Michelle, Stephanie and Jennifer Timm, all of Victor; two sisters, Louise Nagel of Grinnell and Elma Lytton of Statesville, N.C.; and a brother, Eldon Oltrogge of Grinnell.

Mabel died June 2, at Mayflower Home at the age of 92. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; a sister, Marie Plum; and two brothers, Louis and Fritz Oltrogge.

Funeral services were held June 6 at Smith Funeral Home, Grinnell. Officiant for the services was The Rev. David T. Brandt of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Grinnell.

Music was provided by organist Margaret Wheeler, accompanied by soloist Marty Duffus singing "In The Garden" and "How Great Thou Art".

Pallbearers were Paul Ahrens, Raymond Ahrens, Merlin Luttman, Jim McIlrath, William Nagel, Jr. and Wilbur Osland.

Interment was at Hazelwood Cemetery, Grinnell.

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