

(Charles "TED")

Ethel Johnson

Ethel M. Johnson, 87, of Algona, the mother of Curtis Johnson of Grinnell, died Wednesday, March 13, at Kossuth County Hospital in Algona. *H-88*

The Rite of Christian Burial was celebrated Saturday at St. Cecelia's Catholic Church, with the Rev. Benjamin Jenson officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery, with the Wilson Funeral Home of Algona in charge of arrangements. *March 18*

The daughter of Matthew and Eva Curtis Kelley, she was born July 18, 1903, in Algona. She attended public schools, graduating from Algona High School. *1931*

She was married to Charles "Ted" Johnson Jan. 21, 1923, in Emmetsburg. They farmed in the Irvington area for several years before moving to Algona. Mrs. Johnson previously worked at the Dermand Restaurant. She was a member of St. Cecelia's Catholic Church and Guild.

Surviving are four sons, Darrell of Eagle Grove, Curtis of Grinnell, Rodney of Eagle Grove and Robert of Algona; five daughters, Elizabeth Byrne of Algona, Virginia Copas of Clear Lake, Lois Brinkeman of Kamrar, Shirley Metzger of Ames and Janell Kickbush of Clear Lake; 29 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Ruth Parsons of Algona.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one son, Kenneth; three infant daughters; one sister, Ellen Johnson; and four brothers, Jack, Homer, Morris and Elmer.
