

# Stella Nelson Rites Today

Mrs. Stella M. Nelson, 97, of the Mayflower Home, died early Friday morning, Nov. 30, at the Mayflower Home Health Center.

The daughter of Thomas G. and Mary E. Holbrook Grassie, she was born Aug. 26, 1876, in

Oshkosh, Wis. She attended Oshkosh public schools and later attended Oberlin and Ripon colleges. On Oct. 22, 1903, she was married to John Lloyd Nelson in Milwaukee, Wis. The couple had four children: Mrs. Russell (Elizabeth N.) Earls of Annapolis, Md.; Mrs. Corbin (Barbara) Shouse of Miami, Okla.; Miss Kathleen Nelson of Washington, D.C.; and Mrs. Edith Decker, who died Nov. 29, 1968.

Mrs. Nelson had lived at the Mayflower Home since 1959, following her husband's death that year. They had lived in Milwaukee, Wis.; Hibbing, Minn.; Galena, Ill.; Platteville, Wis.; and Baxter Springs, Kan. Mrs. Nelson spent each summer at the summer home on Madeline Island, Lake Superior, Wis. She was a member of the Grinnell United Church of Christ-Congregational.

Survivors include her three children; four grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Royal (Helen Nelson) Montgomery. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her daughter, and six brothers and sisters.

Funeral services for Mrs. Nelson were held at 2 p.m. today (Monday, Dec. 3) at Denison Chapel of the Mayflower Home, with the Rev. Ralph Beebe and the Rev. Newell E. Davis officiating. Music was provided by Mrs. K.K. Holt. Following the cremation, her ashes will be buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Madeline Island, Wis., next to her husband.

Friends may call the Smith Funeral Home for additional information.

John L.