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Mrs. Niester services held

M. Irene Niester, 87, of 1809 Hobart St., Grinnell, died Wednesday, Jan. 1, at Brookhaven Nursing Home in Brooklyn.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Raymond Lott of the Grinnell United Methodist Church officiating. Organist was Kathleen Heffner.

Pallbearers were Dirk Godsey, Roger Innis, Brian Morton, Richard Morton, Gary Morton and Steve Niester. Honorary bearers were Eldon Anderson, Leonard Chase, Ken Dory, Duane Morton, Maurice Neal, Doug Niester and Steve Zarndt.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

The daughter of George and Estella Bedwell Chase, she was born on Feb. 10, 1898, on a farm south of Grinnell. She attended rural school in the Grinnell area.

On Nov. 20, 1919, she was married to C.P. "Dick" Niester at Newton. Following their marriage they lived in Newton and later moved to Grinnell. During World War II Mrs. Niester worked at Switt and Company in Grinnell and at the Maytag Company in Newton. She was a member of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, the Ladies Auxiliary of the F.E.A.C.U. and the American Legion Auxiliary.

She is survived by her daughter, Ha Morton of Williamson; two sons, Duane Niester of Rochester, Ind., and Delmar Niester of Malcom; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband in 1954; two brothers, Fred and Raymond Chase; and two sisters, Myrtle Anderson and Josephine Chase.