

# Della Mae Patten (John E)

Mrs. Della Mae Patten, 91, of Grinnell, a former resident of Brooklyn, died Sunday morning, June 16, 1996, in St. Francis Manor, Grinnell.

Funeral services for Mrs. Patten will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, June 19, in the Grace United Methodist Church, Brooklyn. Rev. William B. Daylong, Pastor, will officiate and the organist will be Mrs. Anita Ormiston. Casketbearers will be grandsons. Burial will be in the Brooklyn Memorial Cemetery, Brooklyn. Nevenhoven Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Della Mae Smith Patten, daughter of William A. Smith and Eva Anna Keeney Smith, was born near Springfield, Mo. She moved with her family to Brooklyn. On October 11, 1920, she married John Edwin Patten in Marshalltown. They lived in Brooklyn and later moved to Grinnell where they lived for 35 years. In 1973, they returned to Brooklyn and Mr. Patten died October 16, 1983. For over four years Mrs. Patten has been a resident of St. Francis Manor of Grinnell.

Mrs. Patten was a nurses aide at St. Francis Hospital and an employee of Tent and Awning of Grinnell. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary of Kellogg and the Birthday Club at Holiday Lake.

Survivors include eight daughters, Doraline Edstrom of Omaha, Neb.; Norma Wilson of Grinnell; Anna Belle Robison of Cedar Falls; Donna Collum and her husband, Joe, of Welton, Iowa; Pat Clark of Kellogg; Nancy Odgen of East St. Louis, Ill.; Lila McCammant of Grinnell; and Linda Patten of Grinnell; three sons and their wives, Wayne and Evelyn Patten of Brooklyn, Ed and Mary Jean Patten of Lebanon, Mo., and Jim and Kathy Patten of Brooklyn; two half-sisters, Ruth Rhinehart of Brooklyn and Pauline Lynch of Belton, Mo.; 39 grandchildren; 66 great-grandchildren; and 19 great-great-grandchildren.

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She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, one brother, one sister, two half-brothers, three grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.