

Gwendolyn E. Ryan

Gwendolyn E. Ryan, 90, of Grinnell died Sunday, Aug. 11, at the Iowa Veterans Home in Marshalltown.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at the Nevenhoven Funeral Home in Brooklyn, with the Rev. Claude Norton, Iowa Veterans Home chaplain, officiating. Organist was Nina Bartachek.

Honorary pallbearers were G. J. "Junie" Manatt and Gene Manatt. Pallbearers were Merlin Manatt, James Manatt, Rusty Clayton, and Richard, Robert and Warren Ryan. Burial was in Rector Cemetery, Chelsea.

She was the daughter of Clyde and Frances McClelland Manatt and was born Oct. 3, 1900, in Carnforth. She was a 1918 graduate of Brooklyn High School. She also attended Drake University, Iowa Normal School in Cedar Falls and a business college in Cedar Rapids. She had taught in rural schools.

She was married to Willis McKinley Ryan, Feb. 14, 1923, in rural Brooklyn. They were divorced in 1925 and remarried Jan. 30, 1932, in Galena, Ill. They moved to the Iowa Veterans Home in August 1982.

Mrs. Ryan was a member of the DAR in Grinnell and a 50-year member of the Order of Eastern Star in Brooklyn.

She is survived by one son, Willis of Centerville, Ohio; a stepdaughter, Harriet McGregor of Cedar Rapids; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.

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