

## Blanche Sparks

Blanche Sparks, 95, of Lynnville died Saturday, Feb. 26, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at the Lynnville Friends Church, with the Rev. Marvin Miller officiating. Burial was at Woodland Cemetery, Lynnville, with the Harden Funeral Home of New Sharon in charge of arrangements.

She was born Dec. 21, 1904, near Lynnville to Louis and Louise Renaud Scull. She was raised and educated in the Lynnville-Sully area and briefly at New London. She received her teacher training at Cedar Falls Teachers College and taught in rural schools in the Lynnville-Sully School District.

She was married to Millard D. Sparks May 29, 1929.

Mrs. Sparks retired from Lynnville-Sully as a fifth-grade teacher in 1970. An active member of the Lynnville Friends Church, she also taught Sunday School, was a member of the Lynnville Women's Club and the Rebekah Lodge, and was a past worthy matron of the Lynnville Order of Eastern Star. She previously served as Lynnville city clerk.

Surviving are a son, James of Newton; two daughters, Katherine Wimer of Cedar Rapids and Maida Dunwoody of Iowa Falls; eight grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; three brothers, Reno, Louis Jr. "Red" and Robert Scull; one sister, Mabel Savage; and one grandson.

Memorial contributions may be made to her church or to Quakerdale.

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