

Elsie Mae Sparks

LYNNVILLE — Elsie Mae Sparks, 83, of Lynnville died Friday, Sept. 7, at Friendship Manor in Grinnell.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at the Lynnville Friends Church, with the Rev. Tom Vander Well officiating. Burial was in Woodland Cemetery at Lynnville, with the Harden Funeral Home of New Sharon in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Lynnville Friends Church.

The daughter of Ed and Myrtle Elliott Sparks, she was born April 29, 1907, near Lynnville. She graduated from Lynnville High School in 1926 and earned her teaching certificate from Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls. She also attended William Penn College in Oskaloosa and Drake University in Des Moines.

She was a member of the Lynnville Friends Church where she had taught Sunday school for 49 years. She also was active in the Vacation Bible School programs and taught third and fourth grades for a number of years in the Lynnville-Sully Schools.

She is survived by three sisters, Lucille Sparks, Edna Copeland and Blanche Sparks, all of Lynnville, and four brothers, Kenneth, Floyd and Lloyd of Lynnville and Ed of Harlan. She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Milard.

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