Eldora Turner

Eldora Virginia Rickard Turner, 90, of Marshfield, Mo., formerly of Grinnell, died Nov. 27, 2004, at Doctors' Hospital in Springfield, Mo.

A funeral service was held Thursday, Dec. 2, at First Baptist Church in Grinnell with the Rev. Tim Stewart officiating. Pianist was Jeanette Tisdale. Pallbearers were Michael, Steven and Robert Ahrens, Greg Turner, John Anderson and Jay Wissink. Burial was in Rock Creek Cemetery in Jasper County. Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church or the American Heart Association.

The daughter of Henry Martin and Anna Josephine Strader Rickard, she was born March 15, 1914, in Cordova, Ill., and was raised in Grinnell, graduating from Grinnell High School in 1932. She was married to Hilliard Hayes Turner on Dec. 31, 1933, and they made their home in Grinnell. She was a member of First Baptist Church. They moved to Rogers, Ark., in 1970, and to Marshfield, Mo., in 1985. At the time of her death, she was a member of the Marshfield United Methodist Church. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and homemaker.

She enjoyed memberships in the Grange, Rebekah Lodge, Daughters of American Colonists, Camp Fire Girls, Church Women United and other church-affiliated groups.

She is survived by her husband of nearly 71 years, Hilliard Turner Sr. of Marshfield; three children, Virginia Ahrens of Marshfield, Hilliard (Junior) Turner Jr. of Grinnell and Sharon Voohees of Cedar Falls; nine grandchildren; 24 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Ralph and Glenn Rickard; three sisters, Maurine Dimond, Alma County and Rose Rickard, and a grandson John Martin Ahrens.