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Vera Young dies July 21

Vera Young, 90, of the Mayflower Home died of a heart attack Tuesday, July 21, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Her body was donated to the University of Iowa College of medicine. A memorial service will be held later at the convenience of the family.

She was born on Nov. 12, 1896, in Loda, Ill. She moved with her family to the Bagley area and attended rural schools near the family farm.

She graduated from Indianola High School and, in 1918, graduated magna cum laude from Carleton College in Northfield, Minn., where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. She was subsequently chosen as a Carleton representative to travel to China where she worked as a vice principal of a girls' school in Fenchow.

On Dec. 28, 1923, she was married to Roy D. Young at Spring Valley, Minn. They were active in religious educa-

tion and youth work with Methodist churches in various parts of the East and Midwest. They moved to St. Paul, Minn., in 1932 and to Mount Vernon in 1936. Mrs. Young held numerous offices in the WSCS of the Methodist Church. She also taught in Korea at a women's university in 1960-61, and in other Far Eastern countries. She had been a resident of the Mayflower Home since 1964.

She is survived by a step-daughter, Gwyneth Gillette of Albany, N.Y.; one stepson, Elwood Young of Security, Colo.; and five step-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1959; her parents; two sisters, Lula Dana and Faye Young; and one brother, Dean Holmes.

Vera Young H-R July 27, 1987 memorial held

A memorial service was conducted at 1 p.m. Saturday for Vera Young, 90, of the Mayflower Home, who died July 21 at Grinnell General Hospital.

The Rev. Raymond C. Lott of the Grinnell United Methodist Church officiated. Music was provided by Deanna Acrea.

Mrs. Young donated her body to the University of Iowa College of Medicine. Her remains eventually will be buried at Roselawn Cemetery, St. Paul, Minn.

She is survived by her children, Gwyneth Gillette, of Albany, N.Y., and Elwood Young of Security, Colo., and five grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1959; her parents; three sisters, Lula Russell, Faye Young and Eva Dana; and one brother, Dean Holmes.

(Roy D.)