



Verona Parmley, 90, of Grinnell died Thursday, Dec. 19, 2002, at Friendship Manor.

A funeral service was held Monday, Dec. 23, at Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Len Eberhart, pastor of the United Methodist Church, officiating. Music was by Kathleen Heffner, organist, and Jessie Ahrens, vocalist. Pallbearers were Jim and John Ahrens, Ron Deppe, Brian and Kirk Gruhn and

Larry Wray. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Ronald McDonald House.

She was born Aug. 20, 1912, in South Dakota to Henry and Geneva Adkins Ahrens. The family moved to the Grinnell area where she was raised on the family farm. She attended rural schools and graduated from Grinnell High School. Following her education, she taught in rural schools in Jasper County.

On June 19, 1937, she was married to Hollis Parmley at the Little Brown Church in Nashua. They lived in Grinnell, then moved to the Rock Creek area in 1943 where they operated a grain and livestock farm. Following the death of her husband in 1982, she moved to Grinnell to make her home. She was a member of the Grinnell United Methodist Church and Victor Grange.

She is survived by one niece Ann Allen of Grand Mound and one nephew, Robert Parmley of Ladysmith, Wis. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, one niece, Cathy Brown and her brother Leo Ahrens.