

## **Norma F. Gifford**

Norma F. Gifford, 98, of Grinnell died Monday, Feb. 21, 2011, at Friendship Manor.

According to her wishes, no service is planned and private family burial will be held at Gifford Cemetery, rural Monroe.

She was born Aug. 22, 1911, in Monroe and was adopted and raised by Harvey and Bessie Farmer Churchill. She was a 1928 graduate of Monroe High School.

She was united in marriage with Ward M. Gifford on July 4, 1934, in Newton. They resided in Des Moines where she was a residence director of the YWCA.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Monroe and Eagles Auxiliary in Grinnell.

She is survived by Dorothy Gifford of Pella, her sister-in-law, and good friends Ida (Mrs. Don) Starnes of Grinnell and Patti Shine of Victor. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Ward Gifford in November, 1960; and her brother Claire Gifford.