Katherine M. GAR Marquardt 4-7-11

Katherine M. Marquardt, 91, of Grinnell, died Wednesday, April 6, 2011, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A scripture service will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 10, at Smith Runneral Home in Grinnell. A private family interment will be held Monday at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell beginning at 3 p.m. on Saturday and the family will be present at the funeral home from 6 to 8 p.m. on Saturday.

Memorials may be directed to St. Mary's Catholic Church.

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Katherine was born on Jan. 12, 1920, in Hasty, Colo., to Andrew and Marie Etzel Suppes. The family moved to Kansas and Ohio before moving to Hector, Minn. She attended rural school.

On Sept. 10, 1937, she married Charles W. Marquardt in St. Paul, Minn. The couple lived in Chatfield, Minn., and returned to the Hector area to farm. In 1954, the family moved to Grinnell, where she was a homemaker and mother of four children. She also worked for McNally's Grocery Store. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and she enjoyed attending family reunions in Minnesota and wintering in Arizona.

Survivors include her children, Jeanette Hejna of Oak Lawn, Ill., Yvonne Munson of Kalamazoo, Mich., Ron Marquardt of Canyon Lake, Calif., and Wayne Marquardt of Mediapolis; 14 grandchildren; and several great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; two grandchildren; seven brothers, Joe, Leonard, John, Jake, Pete, Andrew and George Suppes; and seven sisters, Mary Quinn, Rose Markgraf, Jane Richardson, and Marie, Pauline, Margaret and Esther Suppes.