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Frances was a member of the First Baptist Church in Grinnell, the Isabella Brande Bible Class, a sewing club, and the American Baptist Women. She enjoyed painting and making quilts.

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