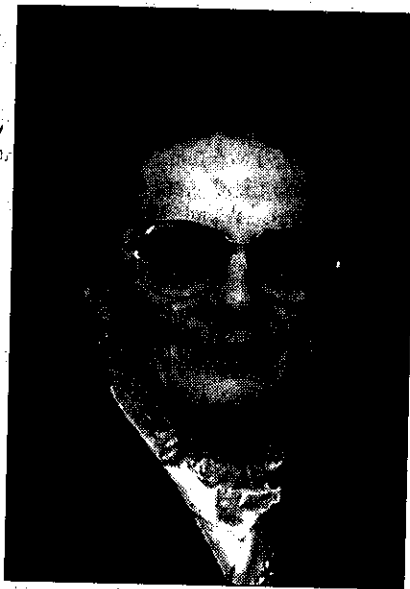


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Mary Grosenbach



Mary Grosenbach, 93, of Grinnell, died on Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2011, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A funeral service will be held 10:30 a.m., Friday, Dec. 30, 2011, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Rev. Del Dawes officiating. Music will be provided by William Tinker, pianist and Stephanie Onthank, vocalist. Casket bearers will be Gene Brummel, Dennis Fleener, John Grosenbach, Mark Klinker, Dale Miller, Dennis Rozenberg and Larry Sedrel. Honorary bearers will be Elinor Beach, Lorna Brummel, Earl Parkhurst and

Don Sedrel. Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home beginning 12 noon on Thursday and the family will be present at the funeral home from 5 pm to 7 pm.

Memorials may be directed to the Grinnell United Methodist Church or to Grinnell Regional Hospice.

Mary was born on Dec. 31, 1917, in New Sharon, Iowa, to Earl and Mary Sullivan Parkhurst. The family lived in various communities in central Iowa and she attended public schools. Following her education she assisted the family with household chores and later worked for the Grinnell Glove Factory.

On March 5, 1938, she was married to Gerald A. Grosenbach in Memphis, Missouri. The couple farmed in the Grinnell area and moved to their present farm north of Grinnell in 1958. She was a homemaker and assisted her husband with the farm operation. She has resided at Windsor Manor for the past three years.

Mary was a member of the United Methodist Church in Grinnell and she enjoyed tending to her flower garden, cooking, baking and making Christmas candy. She also was a big fan of Lawrence Welk and square dancing.

Survivors include her son, Jerry (Carolyn) Grosenbach of Grinnell; two granddaughters, Sally Grosenbach of Los Angeles, Calif., and Trude (McClain Smouse) Grosenbach of Omaha, Nebraska; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; two brothers, Arthur and Willard Parkhurst; and two sisters, Margaret Sedrel and Inez Erickson.