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Mary Louise Petznick

Mary Louise Petznick, 89, of Norman, Okla., formerly of Creston, Iowa, a graduate of Grinnell College, died Dec. 28, 2006, in her home on Norman.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2007, at Powers Funeral Home in Creston with burial in Graceland Cemetery, rural Creston.

She was born Jan. 29, 1917, the daughter of Louis Hughes and Mary Gittins Pine. She was a graduate of Atlantic High School, Atlantic, Iowa, and Grinnell College where she was a member of Mortar Board. She received the master of arts degree in music from Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill. She was married to Harold Jay Petznick on Dec. 22, 1946, in Muscatine. She taught music in Exira, then directed rural women's choruses and church choirs. In 1963 she began teaching in Creston Public Schools and Creston Junior College, later Southwestern Community College, until her retirement in 1980. She then moved to Norman to join relatives in business.

She is survived by three children; five grandchildren, three great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.