

Thursday, August 28, 1969

Services Friday For Mrs. Criswell

Mrs. Emma Criswell, 55, wife of Shell Criswell of 918 Reed St., died Tuesday morning at Grinnell General Hospital West. She had been in failing health the last few months and had been hospitalized since July.

The daughter of Herman and Sophie Miller Buhr, Mrs. Criswell was born in Grinnell on June 2, 1914. She attended the Grinnell schools and graduated from Grinnell High School. She was married to Shell Criswell in Unionville, Mo., and to this marriage one son was born—Donald Eugene Criswell of Des Moines.

Mrs. Criswell was employed for some 10 years in the office of Grinnell Shoe and the last 19 years she has been bookkeeper at the Grinnell Federal Savings and Loan.

Survivors include her husband, Shell; her son, Donald; and twin granddaughters—Susan Marie and Sandra Kay Criswell. Also surviving are two brothers and four sisters—Elmer and Lloyd Buhr of Grinnell, Mrs. Lloyd (Dorothy) Sisco of Hemet, Calif., Mrs. Elsie Powell of Montezuma, and Marie Buhr and Mrs. Ed (Betty) Brand both of Grinnell.

Mrs. Criswell was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Eldon Buhr.

Funeral services for Mrs. Criswell will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Ercil Craven, pastor of the Oak Grove Friends church, officiating.

Music will be furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Gordon VanDonselaar. Pallbearers will be Ralph Bailey, Bernard Criswell, Kenneth Criswell, Larry Criswell, Roy Criswell, and Leland Seimer.

Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery.

Should friends desire, memorials in Mrs. Criswell's name may be made to the American Cancer Society, in care of Mrs. Wayne Reams of Grinnell.

Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home.

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