

## May L. Christensen

May Ladell Christensen, 98, of Grinnell died Friday, Jan. 19, at St. Francis Manor.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at the Aplington Baptist Church in Aplington, with the Revs. Marlin Mohrman and Donald Patet officiating. Casket bearers were Terry Manning, John Broadbent, Rick Jacoby, Dick Sweet, Larry Wescott and David Christensen. Honorary bearers were Greg Christensen, Dennis Huffman, David Richey, Alan Christensen, Darrell Paulsen and Tom Hanus.

Interment was at Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, with the Schwartz Funeral Home of Parkersburg in charge of arrangements.

She was the daughter of Delbert and Annie Quigley Sweet and was born June 6, 1902, in Conrad. She was a 1920 graduate of Conrad High School and moved to New Hartford shortly after graduating.

She was married to Alfred Christensen Aug. 27, 1922, in Webster City. They lived in Parkersburg, then moved to Ackley in 1925. She worked at the cafe in Ackley until 1929. They then moved to Aplington and opened the South Side Cafe. Mrs. Christensen worked at the cafe for the next 35 years, retiring in 1964. She moved to Grinnell in 1994 to be closer to her daughter, Sandy.

She was a member of the Aplington Baptist Church and was active in the Ladies Circle and Benevolent Society. She also took part in the American Legion Auxiliary and the World War I Auxiliary. She was a 50-year member of the Iowa Federated Women's Clubs, Eastern Star, Royal Neighbors and Senior Citizens in Parkersburg.

She became a resident of St. Francis Manor in 1966.

Surviving are one daughter, Sandra Manning of Grinnell; one grandson; two granddaughters; six great-grandchildren; and one sister, Thelma Bakker of Toledo.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; one sister, Bessie Rolfs; and one brother, Roy.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Aplington Baptist Church.

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