

Berenice Gardner

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Berenice Cresap Gardner, 96, of the Mayflower died Friday, Jan. 22, at Friendship Manor, where she had been recovering from a stroke.

A memorial service will be held at the Mayflower at a later date. Her body has been deeded to the University of Iowa College of Medicine.

The daughter of Robert Nelson and Nan Walther Cresap, she was born Nov. 19, 1902, near Bonaparte. She attended the University of Chicago. She was married to Harry Gardner, a civil engineer, in 1929. After her husband died in an automobile accident in 1937, she returned to school, earning a bachelor's degree in nursing from Case Western Reserve University in Ohio and a master's degree in education from the University of Michigan.

She practiced nursing in Flint, Mich., before retiring in 1967. She lived in the Ottumwa area prior to moving to Grinnell in 1993.

There are no immediate survivors. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.

Memorial contributions in her name may be made to the Robert and Nan Cresap Memorial Fund, an endowed scholarship fund established at the University of Iowa.