

## Thelma Rayl Gault

Thelma Rayl Gault, 88, of 102 Third Ave., Grinnell, died of a heart attack at her home Friday, Feb. 16.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Irene Weitert of University Park officiating. Organist will be Margaret Wheeler, and vocalist will be Dottie Smith. Pallbearers will be Ron Fairchild, Richard, Robert and Thomas Gault, Jeremy Kuncle and, Don Ray.

Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery. Memorial contributions in Mrs. Gault's name may be made to the Iowa Federation of the Blind.

The daughter of Alvin Delbert and Mary Jane Reavis Rayl, she was born July 9, 1907, in Washington Township. She was raised on the family farm and attended rural school, later graduating from Grinnell High School.

She was married to Richard Gault July 8, 1928, at her parents' home. Mr. Gault was killed accidentally in 1932.

She taught for 14 years in rural Poweshiek County schools and also worked as a nurse's aide and practical nurse at the former Grinnell Community Hospital and at Friendship Manor.

She was married to Obie Criswell Sept. 5, 1947.

She is survived by one son, James, five grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by one son, Robert; two brothers, Fred and Delbert; and one sister, Opal Frebert.

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