

Rites for Helen Guyan

H-R. January 6, 1986

Helen E. Guyan, 85, of the Mayflower Home in Grinnell died Monday, Dec. 30, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Thursday in Denison Chapel of the Mayflower Home, with the Rev. Philip J. Ramstad, pastor of the United Church of Christ-Congregational, officiating. Pianist was Joyce Wubbels.

Graveside services were conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Oakwood Cemetery in Monticello, with the Smith Funeral Home of Grinnell in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Mayflower Home and sent in care of Elizabeth J. Croft, 2332 Cheltenham Rd., Toledo, Ohio 48606.

The daughter of P. Adelstein and Alice Piper Johnson, she was born on Aug. 9, 1900, at Otumwa. The family moved to Grinnell where she graduated

from Grinnell High School and Grinnell College. Following her education, she taught school at Humboldt.

On Oct. 17, 1925, she was married to Siegfried Guyan in Grinnell. They lived at Monticello where she taught English and was a librarian at Monticello High School. She moved to Cedar Rapids and was employed as a librarian at Mount Mercy College. In 1972 she retired and moved to the Mayflower Home.

She is survived by two children, Elizabeth J. Croft of Toledo, Ohio, and Dr. Robert J. Guyan of Whittier, Calif.; 10 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and one sister, Dorothy Thomas of Grinnell. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband in 1950; one brother, Theodore Johnson; and one sister, Margaret Johnson.