

Elsie F. Kennedy

Elsie F. Kennedy, 96, of 1123 West St., Grinnell, died Monday, July 13, at St. Francis Manor.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday morning at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Lon Lewis, pastor of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, officiating. Organist was Margaret Wheeler, and vocalist was Anna Slaven. Pallbearers were Dr. Robert Baumann, Ed Brand, John Lippitt, Warner Renaud, Noel Taylor and Richard Wood.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Grinnell United Methodist Church.

She was the daughter of George and Eliza Copley Murray and was born Jan. 26, 1896, near Grinnell. She attended rural school near Grinnell and graduated from Grinnell High School in 1916. She taught rural school.

She was married to Earl H. Kennedy Sept. 21, 1918, in Des Moines. The couple lived in Grinnell where Mrs. Kennedy was a homemaker and cared for rural school children.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church, the Birthday Club, the Grandmothers Club, the Rebekah Lodge and Caring Adults of Grinnell.

Surviving are two granddaughters and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her daughter, Doris Laughter; and three sisters, Vera Ziegenmeyer, Grace Murray and Mabel Martin.