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Memorial services for Mona R. Mann, 90, who died Aug. 14, will be conducted at 3 p.m. Friday at the United Church of Christ-Congregational.

The Rev. David B. Bowman will officiate.

Her body was donated to the University of Iowa College of Medicine.

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held Friday, Sept. 1, at the United Church of Christ-Congregational, with the Rev. David B. Bowman officiating.

Interment at Hazelwood Cemetery will follow at a later date. Memorials may be made to the church.

Her body had been willed to the University of Iowa College of Medicine and her eyes to the Lions Club eye program.

The daughter of the Rev. Thomas Henry Coole M.D., a Methodist minister and a practicing physician, and Cora Louisa Shepard Coole, she was born Jan. 6, 1900, in Birmingham, Kan., a twin to a brother Arthur Coole. She spent her childhood in China where her parents were missionaries. In 1923 she received the bachelor of arts degree from Baker University, Baldwin City, Kan.

She was married to Leland W. Mann Aug. 23, 1923, in Baldwin City and joined her husband in his ministry, first serving Methodist churches in Westfield and Walpole, Mass. From 1927 to 1929 the couple resided in Gallup, N. M., where Mr. Mann served as pastor of a Congregational Church after which they served from 1929 to 1932 in Japan as missionaries for Foreign Missions, the overseas mission agency of the Congregational Church.

Returning to the United States, Mr. Mann served as pastor of the Congregational

Church in Rollo Ill., from 1932 to 1936 and from 1936 to 1939 at Mendon, Ill. He was called Nov. 1, 1939, to serve as pastor of the First Congregational Church in Grinnell where he continued until Jan. 31, 1961, the longest pastorate in the history of Grinnell's oldest church. During that time the present church was built in 1952-53.

Following the outbreak of World II, the Manns lived in Texas and Florida while Mr. Mann was a major in the chaplain corps of the United States Army. Their final years in the pastorate were in Chadron, Neb. The Manns returned to Grinnell in 1971 to reside at the Mayflower Home.

She was a member of Chapter JB, P.E.O., and Tuesday Club and recently had participated in programs at the Caring Adults Day Care Center. She was active in events at the Mayflower Home where she resided 19 years. She was a stamp collector, a hobby she began as a child in China, and read, composed music, enjoyed beads, made shell jewelry, sewed, knitted, crocheted and especially enjoyed children.

She is survived by two sons Leland W. Mann Jr., Bel Air, Md., and Arthur R. Mann, Ames; one daughter Cora Vallean Mann, Honolulu, Hawaii; six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; infant twin sons; her parents and two brothers the Rev. Dr. Douglas Coole and the Rev. Arthur Coole.