

## Rites held for Mrs. Morrison

It-R June 2, 1988

Edna Bacon Morrison, 97, of Grinnell, a widely published poet and former associate editor of the journal "Lyrical Iowa," died Saturday, May 28, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Raymond C. Lott, pastor of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, officiating. Organist was Kathleen Heffner, and pallbearers were W.T. Autry, Clyde French, Albert L. Neighbors, Billy R. Campbell, Charles M. Manly and Alvin Sheeler. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

She was the daughter of Charles and Sarah Jane Bullers Bacon and was born May 16, 1891, at Beacon, Iowa. She graduated from Oskaloosa High School in 1910 and later graduated from Oskaloosa Business College.

She was married to Loyd Francis Morrison June 16, 1919, at Oskaloosa. The couple lived in Washington, Iowa, and came to Grinnell in 1934 when Mr. Morrison was an executive with the telephone company.

Mrs. Morrison was the author of five books of poetry:

"Gypsy Feet" (1935), "The Miracles" (1961), "Soliloquy at Dusk" (1966), "Over My Shoulder" (1977), and "My World" (1972).

Her works were also included in numerous anthologies and journals.

She was a member of the National League of American penwomen, the Midwest Federation of Chaparral Poets, the Iowa Poetry Association, the Academy of American Poets, the American Poetry League, the Avalon Poetry Society and the Adelphi Literary Society.

Other memberships included the Drummond Club and Pi Rho Lambda of Grinnell. She was a member of the Grinnell United Methodist Church and served on the board of Stewart Library.

Mrs. Morrison is survived by her son, James L. of Clinton; her daughter, Rosemary Morrison of Newton; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Loyd, in 1964; one brother, William DeFrehn, and two sisters, Mary Jane Phillips and Bernice Dusenberry.

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