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Mrs. McDonald
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dies at 93

Mabel Clare McDonald, 93, of the Mayflower Home died Friday at the Mayflower health center. Memorial services for Mrs. McDonald will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Ames United Church of Christ-Congregational, with burial at the Ames Municipal Cemetery. A memorial service will be held in the chapel at the Mayflower Home at a date and time to be announced later. Friends may call the Smith Funeral Home for additional

information.

The daughter of Abel and Irene Bentley, she was born March 1, 1882, at Oelwein. She attended Iowa State University and later taught home economics at state normal schools in Mayville, N.D., and Moorehead, Minn. In 1912, she returned to Iowa State University and was a member of the extension staff until 1919.

She was married to Murl McDonald on June 12, 1919. They made their home in Ames until they moved to the Mayflower Home in 1962. Mrs. McDonald was an active member of the United Church of Christ-Congregational in Ames; the AA Chapter, P.E.O. Sisterhood; the Order of Eastern Star; Royal Neighbors of America, Parent-Teacher Association, and other school activities; the public library board; and faculty, social and civic organizations. While attending college she was a member of Kappa Delta sorority and Omicron Nu, an honorary sorority in home economics. Her husband, Prof. Murl McDonald, was also a long-time faculty member with the Iowa State Extension Service.

After retirement, the couple were Point IV appointees to Lebanon.

Mrs. McDonald is survived by two daughters, Murial Baker of Charleston, S.C., and Jean Lamb of Kettering Ohio, and 10 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, who died in 1966.