

Jean E. Nissen



Jean E. Nissen, 91, of Grinnell died Sunday, Oct. 21, at the Mayflower Health Care Center.

A memorial service is set for 10 a.m. Friday at the Carman Center of the Mayflower, with the Rev. Robert Molsberry officiating. A second memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Union Congregational - United Church of Christ, Reinbeck, with the Revs. Joel Love and Robert Molsberry officiating. Private family burial will be Friday at Reinbeck Cemetery. There will be no visitation. The Smith Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

She was born May 16, 1910, in Reinbeck to Hiram and Hazel Dilly Armstrong Watson. She was a 1928 graduate of Reinbeck High School. She attended the former Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls and received a degree in music. She taught rural school for a few years.

She was married to H. Emil Nissen Jan. 30, 1938. They lived in Reinbeck, where she was a homemaker. She moved to Grinnell in October 1993.

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While living in Reinbeck, she was a member of the Union Congregational - United Church of Christ, and she was the church organist for over 40 years. She was also a member of the Women's Investment Venture and the American Legion Auxiliary. While in Grinnell, she was a member of the United Church of Christ - Congregational, the Sit 'n Knit Club and was involved in exercise class, poetry and art at the Mayflower.

Surviving are her son, Bill of Cedar Rapids; two daughters, Nancy Reinecke of Grinnell and

Janet Nissen of Iowa City; three grandchildren and one great-grandson.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; one brother, James Watson; and one sister, Genevieve Moore.

A Jean Nissen Memorial Fund has been established, and contributions may be sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home, P.O. Box 368, Grinnell 50112.