

Bessie Rivers rites Tuesday

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Bessie Rivers, 84, of Estherville, formerly of Grinnell, died Friday, Aug. 15, at her home.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:30 p.m. Monday at the Henry-Olson-Fuhrman Home in Estherville and at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Grinnell Christian Church, with burial in Hazelwood Cemetery here.

The daughter of Peter and Anna Peterson Jensen, she was born on Oct. 30, 1901, at Chicago, Ill. She attended school in Ringstead, Iowa.

On Nov. 24, 1921, she was married to Cecil Rivers at Algona, and she and her husband farmed in Poweshiek County.

Mrs. Rivers was well known for making and collecting dolls. She was a member of the Kate Shelley Doll Club and the Boston Doll Study Club. She was also a member of the Grinnell Christian Church, the Countryside Stars and the Poweshiek County Farm Bureau.

Survivors include two daughters, Elizabeth Ann Rivers of St. Paul, Minn., and Audrey Griffith of Dolliver, Iowa; and a half-brother, Clark Jorgenson of Williston, N.D. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her stepfather and one sister.

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