

## Rites Set for Miss Rohr <sup>9/30/73</sup>



Elizabeth Rohr

Elizabeth Rohr, 93, a pioneer in public health nursing in the Grinnell area, died Sunday morning at St. Francis Manor, following an extended illness.

The daughter of Henry and Wilhelmina Schroeder Rohr, she was born June 22, 1880, in Sheridan Township. She was baptized in the Lutheran faith, and at the age of 15 was confirmed in that church. She was a member of the Lutheran faith the remainder of her life.

Following her education in the local schools, she attended Iowa Methodist Hospital School of Nursing in Des Moines. After 13 months, her father died and she came home and worked as a private duty nurse for nine years. During World War I, she did night duty at the old City Hospital at Sixth Ave. and Elm St. for one year. In 1919, she took up training again, this time at the former Community Hospital. She was graduated with the class of 1922. She then enrolled at the University Hospital School of Nursing in Iowa City, concentrating on the field of public health.

Returning to Grinnell, she was employed by the city as a visiting nurse. For 30 years, Miss Rohr practiced here. She resigned her position with the city because of cataracts, but after having surgery she returned to work and was employed at the Happy Hour Nursing Home until she retired a few years ago.

Miss Rohr was a 50-year member of the Rebekah Lodge

and was a member of the Soroptimist Club of Grinnell. Miss Rohr lived in and near Grinnell most of her life.

She is survived by her sister, Mrs. Ella Hewitt of Austin, Minn., and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; four brothers, Charles, Henry, Chris, and John Rohr; and two sisters, Mrs. Sophia Bost and Mrs. Lena Bastian.

Funeral services for Miss Rohr will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Marcus E. Reitz, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, officiating. Organist will be Mrs. Marvin Nothnagel, and pallbearers will be Carl Bost, Opal Mills, Carl Rohr, Erwin Rohr, John Rohr, and Loring Rohr. Burial will be in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery near Malcom.

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