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Dierdre M. Smith, 87, died Saturday evening, May 11, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Services will be held Thursday, May 16, at 10:30 a. m. at the United Church of Christ-Congregational with the Rev. David Bowman, pastor of the church, officiating.

A resident of the Mayflower Home since 1985, she was the widow of Elbert Smith, former professor of French and college organist at Grinnell College.

She is survived by one daughter Kathleen Reed, Grinnell; two grandchildren and three great grandchildren. May 3,1991

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Deirdre Smith, 87, of the Mayflower Home died Saturday, May 11, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday at the United Church of Christ-Congregational, with the Rev. David Bowman officiating. Personal remarks were offered by Ralph A. Luebben. Music was provided by vocalist Russell Leggett and organist Barbara Zacheis.

Pallbearers were Craig Campbell, Jeff Campbell, F. Addison Jones, David Kudej, Ralph A. Luebben and James M. White. Honorary bearers were Jack Campbell, Beryl Clotfelter, Wayne B. Denny, Grant Gale, Norman Goodbrod, Marvin E. Kelley, John R. Kleinschmidt and Glenn Leggett.

Burial was in Hazelwood. Cemetery, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

The daughter of Elmer and Myrtle Modlin McMullan, she was born Jan. 15, 1904, in Marion, Ind. She received her B.A. degree summa cum laude from Oakland City College in Indiana. She taught French, Latin and English in Alvin, Ill., and Huntington, Ind., then for seven years taught French at Grosse Pointe, Mich. She received her M.A. degree in French

from the University of Michigan.

She was married to Elbert M. Smith May 12, 1945 in Chicago. She joined her husband, a professor of French and music, on the faculty of Grinnell College, teaching for 20 years.

Mrs. Smith was a member of the United Church of Christ-Congregational, the P.E.O., the Elizabeth Earle Magoun Club and the American Association of University Women.

She is survived by her daughter, Kathleen S. Reed of Grinnell; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband and her parents.

Memorials in her name may be made to the Mayflower Home Health Care Center Fund.