

## Esther O'Halloran



H-R September 23, 2002

Esther O'Halloran, 89 of Grinnell died Thursday, Sept. 19, of a cranial hemorrhage following an accidental fall.

Funeral services were held Monday at the Grinnell Christian Church, with the Rev. John Epperson officiating. Organist was Jolene Sears, and vocalist was Barbara Chitwood. Casket bearers were her grandchildren, Michelle Wilke and Mark, Mike, Dan, Ron, Jerry, Tim, Jim, Jeff and Sharon O'Halloran. Burial was at Rose Hill Memorial Garden, Marshalltown, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

She was born Nov. 14, 1912 in Pearl City, Ill. She attended rural schools and was a graduate of Freeport High School, Freeport, Ill. She also graduated from White Water Teachers College in Wisconsin, then worked as a secretary for the Freeport Farm Bureau.

She was married to Owen W. O'Halloran Sept. 5, 1933, in Rockford, Ill. They farmed near Brooklyn and moved to Grinnell in 1965. Mrs. O'Halloran worked as a secretary in the physical plant at Grinnell College, retiring in 1970.

She was a member of the Grinnell Christian Church, Westfield Ladies Aid and the Sew and Knit Club of Grinnell.

Surviving are three sons, Lavern of Glendale, Ariz., Duane of Malcom and Leland of Fort Dodge; 10 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; and her companion, Donald Rempp of Grinnell.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one sister, Laura Gassman; and two brothers, Oscar and Albert Hammermeier.

Memorial contributions may be made to her church.