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## Mrs. Watkins rites today

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Hazel E. Watkins, 79, of 416 Fourth Ave., Grinnell, died Friday afternoon, Sept. 10, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. today at the Grinnell United Methodist Church, with burial at Hazelwood Cemetery.

Memorials in Mrs. Watkins' name may be made to the United Methodist Church or Hospice Grinnell and left at the Smith Funeral Home.

The daughter of Pinckney E. and Sarah E. Routh Neely, she was born March 23, 1903, at Lorimor. She attended school there, graduating from high school in 1921. She received her B.A. degree from Des Moines University in 1925, later teaching mathematics and history at Rowan and Northwood.

She was married to Clark Watkins on June 25, 1939, in Des Moines. The couple lived briefly in Dubuque and Freeport, Ill., before coming to

Grinnell in 1944. Mrs. Watkins taught school here and at Brooklyn and took postgraduate work at Drake University, Grinnell College and the University of Iowa. She was a member of the United Methodist Church, the United Methodist Women and the Poweshiek County Retired Teachers Association. In earlier years she served as a Cub Scout den mother.

Survivors include her husband, Clark; a son, John C. Watkins of Coatsville, Pa.; and two sisters, Vera Weide of Belleflower, Calif., and Florence Neely of Winterset. She was preceded in death by her parents; four brothers, Samuel, Frank, Fred and Ferol Neely; and four sisters, Lydia Gardner, Gertrude Smith, Daisy Jordan and Carita Wilson.

## Hazel Watkins services held

Funeral services for Hazel Watkins, 79, who died Friday, Sept. 10, at Grinnell General Hospital, were conducted at 1:30 p.m. Monday at the Grinnell United Methodist Church.

The Rev. James P. Russell officiated, and music was provided by Kathleen Heffner, organist, and Kathy O'Connor, vocalist.

Pallbearers were Richard Bachman, Robert Baumann, Warren Beaty, Ray Bush, Jack Byers and Larry Dixon.

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

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