Edna Youngbeck Laing

Edna Laing, 104, died Friday, Oct. 28, 2011, at St. Francis Manor in Grinnell. A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 2, at Acacia Park Cemetery in Mendota Heights, Minn., with Fr. Joseph Gallatin, pastor of St. Peter Catholic Church in Mendota, officiating. Arrangements were entrusted to the Smith Funeral Home of Grinnell.

Edna was born the daughter of John and Sophia Wild Youngbeck on April 25, 1907, in Minford, N.D. She and her five brothers and four sisters were reared on the family farm in Minford.

She was united in marriage with Marvin Laing in 1930 and they made their home near Minneapolis, Minn. Edna moved to St. Francis Manor in Grinnell in 2004 to be near her brother,

Gerald Youngbeck. She was a member of Our Lady of Grace Church in Edina, Minn.

She is survived by a sister, Gladys Gantz of Colorado; and several relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Marvin Laing; her brothers, Gerald, Reuben, John, Alonzo and Alex; and her sisters, Ella, Hilda and Erna.