

Ruth E. Leonard Ashworth, 90, of Rockford, IL, formerly of Ottumwa, died at 2:25 a.m. December 6, 2015 at Mercy Hospice-Johnston in Johnston, IA.

She was born October 10, 1925 in Ottumwa to James W. and Mary Elizabeth Ware Leonard.

Ruth graduated from Ottumwa High School in 1943. She had worked 27 years for the Wapello County Treasurer Office and 12 years for the Trane Company.

Surviving is a daughter, Gloria Granneman of Ankeny; a son, Charles Granneman of Rockford, IL; three grandchildren, Joe (Linda) Granneman of Rockford, IL, Dana Jandt of Ankeny, Leslie (Tony) Merry of Mesa, AZ; six great-grandchildren; two great-great grandsons.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers and six sisters.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Thursday at Reece Funeral Home with Rev. Jeremy Skinner. Burial will be in Brooks Cemetery, west of Ottumwa.

Visitation with the family present will be one hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Rockford Rescue Mission, 715 W. State St., Rockford