



Marian Marvel Brollier

November 23, 1910 - March 13, 2010

Sigourney, Iowa

Visitation: Begins at 9:30 A.M. on Tuesday until the time of service March 16, 2010 at Ollie Baptist Church, Ollie, Iowa

Interment: Ollie Cemetery near Ollie, Iowa

Marian Marvel Brollier, age 99, formerly of Ollie, died Saturday, March 13, 2010, at Manor House Care Center in Sigourney, Iowa. She was born November 23, 1910, in Lehigh, Iowa, the daughter of Dr. Horace M. and Sarah O. Coy Stanley. She was educated in the Creston Schools, Creston, Iowa, and received a B.A. Degree in Speech and Drama from the University of Iowa in 1935. Prior to receiving her college degree, she attended Carnegie Tech. in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, to advance her love of acting. Following graduation from the University of Iowa, she taught school for seven years.

Marian then became involved in newspaper advertising and worked in Iowa, Oklahoma, and California, eventually returning to Iowa.

On February 25th, 1950, Marian was united in marriage to Clayton Brollier. Together they owned and operated a drug store in Kellogg and Walnut, Iowa. Due to her husband's failing health, they moved to Florida and lived there four years, where they operated the North End Ft. Lauderdale Shopper. They returned to make their home in Iowa and reopened the drug store in Walnut, Iowa, and remained there until her husband's passing. Marian's husband died in January, 1964. For several years, Marian took care of her mother, whose health required special care. In August, 1969, she moved to Ollie and worked at Prairie Home Café near Pekin and later at Cook's Drug Store in Sigourney, the Keokuk County Department of Human Services, for the Job Training Partnership Act (J.T.P.A.) in Jefferson, Keokuk, and Van Buren Counties. Marian also served as house mother for a fraternity in Ames, Iowa.

Marian was involved in volunteer work and organized the Food Pantry and Clothes Closet in Keokuk County. She started the Over 55 Club in Ollie, and helped on the Ollie Community Retirement Corp. She was a member of the Ollie Chapter of Eastern Star #549, was a Girl Scout leader, a member of the Ollie Baptist Church, where she taught Sunday School for several years. Marian never gave up her love of acting, and always enjoyed being a Puppeteer. She belonged to the Puppeteers of America and the Prairie Guild Puppeteers of Nebraska and Iowa. She was known for clowning throughout the area as "Marvelo the Clown". She especially enjoyed entertaining children with her clown routine. She also loved hats.

Mrs. Brollier is survived by nieces of her late husband: Neoma Wonderlich of Ollie, Iowa, Ethel Pierce of McKinney, Texas, and Opal Smith of Naples, Florida, their families, and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a brother, Horace M. Stanley, two nieces, Norma Jean

Wonderlich, and Charlene Reighard.

Memorials may be made in her name to the Ollie Baptist Church, Ollie, Iowa.