

OBITUARIES

Collette Croker, 86

Collette Croker, 86, of 303 Edgeland Drive, Marshalltown, most recently a resident of the Iowa Veterans Home, was called to her heavenly home Monday night, Jan. 28, at the Marshalltown Medical and Surgical Center. Her death came peacefully at 11:18 p.m. after being admitted the day before.

Mass of Christian Burial took place on Friday, Feb. 1, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Colo, with Fr. Jon Seda officiating. She was laid to rest in the family lot at St. James Cemetery at Colo. The Estel-Perrin-Avey Funeral Home in Marshalltown was entrusted with her final arrangements.

Born on March 25, 1915, in Colo, Iowa, she was the daughter of James and Rose Ann Hinsberger Croker. She received her education in the area of her birth and later attended nursing school where she

received her RN degree. She was a RN at Sisters of Mercy for 18 years in Marshalltown. During WWII, Collette served in the United States Army Nursing Corps from May 4, 1945, until receiving her honorable discharge on Jan. 6, 1946, as 2nd Lt. In Des Moines.

Ms. Croker was a member in youth of the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Colo and in Marshalltown of the St. Henry's Parish as well as the Women of St. Henry's, Mother Teresa's Bible Sharing and the Golden Classics.

Left to mourn her loss are her twin sister, Calista; three brothers, James (Joanne) of Iowa City, Richard (Jane) of Omaha, and John (the late Mary) of Colo; and several nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

In death, she rejoined her parents and her brother, Vincent.