

Obituary:

Ann Janssen Griffel

Age 95, of Eldora, Iowa passed away peacefully on October 3, 2009. Born on January 12, 1914. Ann was a lifelong Eldora resident. She studied journalism for two years at the State University of Iowa where she met and married her beloved husband, Dr. R.R. Griffel. Together they raised four daughters (Kay, Jane, Rae, and Annie).

Ann enjoyed the game of golf immensely. A sport she initially took up to spend time with her husband would quickly become a passion to which she dedicated much time and energy. Ann competed in and won seven Iowa Senior Amateur Women's championships and served as president of the Iowa Women's Golf Association for 23 years. During her time of service to the IWGA Ann increased the opportunities for women in golf in the state of Iowa, creating many tournaments still in existence today. Her dedication to Iowa women's golf is unmatched and an annual scholarship awarded by the IWGA now bears her name. She also served on the USGA Senior Women's Committee for a number of years.

The Memorial service will be held at 2 pm Sunday, October 10 at the First Congregational UCC Eldora.

In lieu of flowers contributions can be made to:

First Congregational UCC 1209 12th St, Eldora, Ia 50627

IWGA Ann Griffel Scholarship Fund

8515 Douglas Ave. #25

Urbandale, Ia 50322

Ann Griffel Portz Scholarship Fund

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