

MR Evelyn J. Fleming, 88

Evelyn J. Fleming, 88, of New Sharon, died Tuesday, June 11, at the Grinnell Regional Medical Center from complications of Alzheimer's disease.

A funeral service was held Saturday, June 15, at the Harden Funeral Home, New Sharon. Interment followed at Highland Cemetery, New Sharon. Memorials may be made to the New Sharon Fire Department or to the Alzheimer's Foundation.

Evelyn was born on Feb. 4, 1914, at What Cheer, to Fred and Janet (Martin) Rice. She was raised in the Fremont area and graduated from Fremont High School in 1932. She was united in marriage to Lowell DeWitt on July 7, 1932, at Kirksville, Mo. They settled at New Sharon in 1940. A homemaker most of her life, she also worked at the New Sharon overall factory and had owned and oper-

ated the New Sharon Maid-Rite with her daughter, Louise. On Feb. 14, 1977, she married Melvin Fleming. An avid gar-

dener, she also enjoyed sewing, needlepoint, cooking, fishing and was a 55-year member of the Eastern Star.

She is survived by her husband, Melvin of New Sharon; two step-sons, Phil (& Linda) of Minden, Neb., and Leigh Fleming and companion Dick Amundson of Des Moines; seven grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren, six great-great-grandchildren;

three step-grandchildren, 11 step-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Marie Hibler of Oskaloosa.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Lowell; a son, Bill DeWitt; a daughter, Louise Lanphier; three brothers, Martin, Neal and Harold Rice; a sister, Margaret Phillips, and two granddaughters.

