Carmella Gallagher 74, of rural Grinnell died Tuesday, May 27, 2003, at her home.

A Mass of the Resurrection will be held Friday, May 30, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church with the Rev. William Reynolds, pastor of the church, officiating. Casket bearers will be Matt and Jake Bowman, Joe, Grant and Steve Gallagher, Ken McGroary, Pat Foley and Steve and Tom Campbell. Interment will be in Hazelwood Cemetery. Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and at St. Mary's Catholic Church from 4 to 9 p.m. A scripture service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at St. Mary's. Memorials may be made to St. Mary's Parish Foundation or to Grinnell Regional Hospice.

She was born Aug. 22, 1928, in Grinnell to William and Mary Comerford McGroary. She was raised in Victor and graduated from St. John's School with the class of 1945. She also attended Mount St. Claire College in Clinton from which she received a teaching certificate. Following her education, she taught in schools in DeWitt and Belle Plaine.

On Sept. 7, 1949, she was married to Cyril J. Gallagher at St. Bridget's Catholic Church in Victor. The couple lived in the Victor, Brooklyn and Deep River areas before moving to Grinnell in 1952. They farmed east of Grinnell for 32 years before moving to their present farm in 1984.

She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, the Partners of Mary, Poweshiek County Cattlemen's Association and Jasper County Grange.

She is survived by her husband Cyril Gallagher of Grinnell; seven sons, Michael of Sedalia, Mo., Pat of Grinnell, Jim of Reedsburg, Wis., Larry of Bettendorf, Bill of Coralville, Dave of North Liberty and Mark of Johnston; three daughters, Mary Lou Gallagher of Ladora and two sisters, Rose Marie Foley of Belle Plaine and Geraldine Campbell of Toledo. She was preceded in death by her parents.
Mrs. Carmilla Gallagher, 74

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Smith Funeral Home of Grinnell was in charge of funeral arrangements.

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