Gladys Stowe

Gladys Marie Foster Stowe, 83, of Grinnell died Thursday, March 11, at Friendship Manor.

A funeral service was held Monday, March 15, at First Baptist Church with the Rev. Tim Stewart officiating. Organist was Denise Baustian. Pallbearers were Jim White, Larry German, Ron Harter, Eugene and Ron Lang and Keith Rose. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association.

The daughter of William and Sylvia Tish Foster, she was born March 4, 1921, on her parents’ farm in rural Grinnell. She attended rural school near her home until the age of 12 when she attended Grinnell High School. She was married to Marvin Dale Stowe. She was employed as a cab driver and a clerk at J.C. Penney’s for several years. She later was a long-time employee of General Telephone Company of central Iowa and GTE of the Midwest, working up from a telephone operator to supervisor of various departments. She was a member of First Baptist Church. She had been a resident of Friendship Manor since 1997.

She is survived by one son Dennis of Carlisle; one sister, Lola Baustian and one niece, Denise Baustian, both of Grinnell. She was preceded in death by her parents and her former husband.