Arella Wilson

Arella Smith Wilson, 88, of Grinnell, formerly of New Market, died Wednesday, March 5, 2003, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A funeral service was held Saturday, March 8, at Walker-Merrick Funeral Home in Clarinda with Loren Daly and the Rev. Dan Wiebesiek officiating.

Burial was in Memory Cemetery in New Market. Memorials may be made to the United Methodist Church in New Market.

She was born Sept. 28, 1914, near Sheridan, Mo., to Paul and Flora Godsey Garten and grew up in rural Missouri. She was married on Oct. 25, 1933, to Fred Virgil Smith and they moved to New Market where they lived for 45 years. On Feb. 1, 1987, she was married to Charles Wilson.

She is survived by one daughter, Charlene Ingram of Grinnell.

Richard Smith; 11 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husbands and three sisters.