

## Leona Chase



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Leona M. Chase, 92, of Grinnell died Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2009, at St. Francis Manor.

A funeral service will be held Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 10:30 a.m. at Smith Funeral Home with John Epperson, pastor of Grinnell Christian Church, officiating. Pianist will be Barbara Chitwood. Casket bearers will be Fred Baker, Jerry Baltisberger, Chad Hauser, Dusty Hauser, Verne Jarvela, Ed Locker and Latry Manning. Interment will be in Hazelwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Grinnell Elks Lodge.

She was born July 27, 1917, in Tama County, the daughter of William and Hazel Herman Wilke. She attended rural schools in Poweshiek County, graduating from Grinnell High School

with the Class of 1935. She then was employed in the AAA program and assisted her family with operation of their farm. On March 16, 1946, she was united in marriage with Emery F. Lamm in Des Moines. They farmed near Columbia, Mo., and she worked for the A.S.C.S. program. She later worked for the Chapman Heating and Air Conditioning Company and the Bourn Feed Company.

On Feb. 22, 1977, she was united in marriage with Leonard Chase in Columbia, Mo. They moved to Grinnell where they built a home on Fifteenth Avenue.

She was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church and the Grinnell Elks Lodge and enjoyed Lady Elks activities.

She is survived by her stepson Wayne Chase of Livingston, Texas, and two step grandsons. She was preceded in death by her parents and both husbands.