Blythe C. Clark, 72

Blythe C. Clark "Bee", 72, died of cardiac arrest on June 13, 2010, at Hospice in Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Graveside rites will be held on June 18, at 11 a.m., at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell. Friends and family are welcome to attend.

Bee was born July 24, 1937, to Fernne and Gordon Osborn of Brooklyn where she attended school. Bee was married to Elmer Dean Hawkins in 1957 and to that marriage two children were born, Kevin and Kathy. They were divorced in 1967. She then married Lee Johnson in 1968 and together they owned LeeBee Kennels, east of Grinnell, for 15 years.


Bee is survived by two children, Kevin Hawkins of Gilbert, Ariz.; and Kathy Hulin of Gilbert, Ariz.; and eight step-children, Fred and John Furbottom, Tom, Pat and Paul Johnson, Brian, Ron and Cheryl Clark; and two sisters, Lucille Erickson and Karel Shults; and brother, Gene Osborn.

Bee was preceded in death by her parents, Fernne and Gordon Osborn; two brothers, Neal Osborn and Keith Osborn; and her husband, Herbert L. Johnson, "Lee."

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Blythe C. Clark, 72, of Grinnell died Sunday, June 13, 2010, of cardiac arrest at the Hospice of Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Cremation followed and a graveside service will be held Friday, June 18, at 11 a.m., at Hazelwood Cemetery.

She was born July 24, 1937, in Brooklyn, the daughter of Gordon and Fernne Osborn. She had resided in Brooklyn and Grinnell throughout her life. She was united in marriage with Elmer Dean Hawkins in 1957, a marriage which ended in 1967. She was united in marriage with Herbert L. "Lee" Johnson in 1968 and they owned a kennel east of Grinnell called LeeBee Kennels for 15 years. She also worked at Miracle Recreation. He died July 1, 2003. She and Joseph Clark were united in marriage in 2005.

She was a member of AKC Kennel Club and First Presbyterian Church.

She is survived by her husband and by Kevin Hawkins, Kathy Hulin, Fred and John Furbottom, Tom, Pat and Paul Johnson, and Brian, Ron, and Cheryl Clark. She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Keith and Neal Osborn, and her husband Lee Johnson.