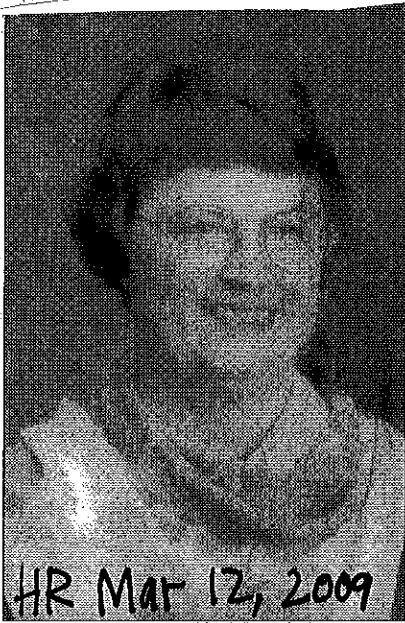


## Ruth Krumm Weaver



Ruth Krumm Weaver, 70, of Grinnell died Saturday, March 7, 2009, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center of cancer.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, March 11, 2009, at Smith Funeral Home with Cheri Doane and Howard Lord officiating. Pianist was Claudia Wyatt. Casket bearers were Robert Widmer, John Whitehead, John Kane, Casey Weaver, Cody Weaver and Crystal Humphrey. Interment was in Westfield Cemetery, rural Grinnell.

Memorials may be made to Center Friends Church in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.

Condolences to the family may be sent via the funeral home website, [www.smithfh.com](http://www.smithfh.com).

She was born April 21, 1938, in Unadilla, N. Y., to Valentine and Esther Vore Krumm. She attended public schools and received her bachelor of arts degree in sociology from Wilmington College in Ohio. Her love of literature extended to acting in student and later community theater.

She was a member of Center Friends Church in Newton, the Westfield Cemetery Association, and the board of directors of William Penn College in Oskaloosa. She served as a high school teacher, a nursing home administrator, and an administrative assistant.

She was a peace activist and a life-long Quaker. She strongly believed in the value of education. She spoke and wrote in her community to encourage people to work to prevent wars, hunger, oppression and ignorance. Her letters were published in the Grinnell Herald-Register and the Des Moines Register. Her other interests were family and family history, bird watching, nature, travel, education, politics, music and astronomy. She taught herself to play Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata on the piano. Ruth turned her eyes to the heavens in her 60s and soon became the family authority on the life cycle, names and locations of amazing objects in the night sky.

She is survived by her husband of 36 years, Fred Weaver of Grinnell; her daughter and son, Vivian R. McGuire of San Antonio, Texas, and Edward K. McGuire of Fort Worth, Texas; her stepchildren, Mary Whitehead of Grinnell, James Weaver of Perry, Mark Weaver of New Sharon and Diane Widmer of Toledo; one granddaughter; ten step grandchildren; five step great grandchildren; and two brothers, David Krumm of Kellogg and Paul Krumm of Kanopolis, Kan. She was preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Mary Esther Krumm Poe and one brother, John Krumm.