Marilyn I. Anderson


A funeral service was held Wednesday, May 20, at Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Len Eberhart and Deacon Diane Eberhart officiating. Interment was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Grinnell United Methodist Church or to Grinnell Regional Hospice.

She was born, the daughter of Earl Wilfred and Sylvia Irene Richardson Swanson, on June 12, 1925, in Cambridge, Iowa. She was raised and attended school in the White Oak, Iowa, area. She moved to Newton at the age of 18 where she worked for Maytag and other businesses. She was united in marriage with Ray Gerald Anderson on March 24, 1944, in Louisville, KY. She later worked at Holland Plastics in Gilman and assisted her husband with the family farm operation.

She was a member of the Grinnell United Methodist Church.

Through the years, she and her husband traveled throughout the United States.

She is survived by her sons and daughters, Ronny Anderson of Pella, Dennis Anderson of Grinnell, Mary Armstrong of Covington, Wash., Marcia Iverson of Grinnell, and Terry Anderson of Grinnell; nine grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; her brothers, Freddie Swanson of Newton and Donald Swanson of Warsaw, MI; and her sister, Minnie Ettet of Melcher.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Ray G. Anderson, and an infant grandson.

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Marilyn Anderson, 83, of Grinnell died Friday, May 15, 2009, at Friendship Manor Care Center.

A funeral service will be held Wednesday, May 20, at 1 p.m. at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with the Rev. Len Eberhart officiating. Interment will be in Hazelwood Cemetery. Visitation will be held Tuesday from 5 to 8 p.m. at Smith Funeral Home with family members present from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the Grinnell United Methodist Church or Grinnell Regional Hospice. Memorials and condolences may be shared with the family on the Smith Funeral Home website at www.smithfh.com.