

Ruth E. Terpstra



Ruth E. Terpstra, 78, of Hiawatha, formerly of Lynnville, died Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2011, in the Hiawatha Health Care Center.

A funeral service was held Saturday, Feb. 19, at Friends Church in Lynnville with Dr. Doug Smiley officiating. Organist was Eileen Smiley and vocalist was Miriam Schultz. Pallbearers were Douglas, Mark, Steven, Neal, Jennifer, Laura and Morgan Terpstra. Burial was in Woodland Cemetery in Lynnville.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Lynnville Community United Fund, in care of First State Bank in Lynnville.

She was born July 22, 1931, in Grinnell, the daughter of Jones Marshall and Anna Jane Huston Harris. She was raised in Lynnville and was a 1949 graduate of Lynnville High School where she participated on the basketball team. Following high school, she was employed as a secretary for a business in Newton.

She was united in marriage with Arnold William Terpstra on July 15, 1950, in Mason City. They resided in Lynnville for many years where he was a partner in the Lynnville Seed Company. In 1989 they moved to Clear Lake. For many years the couple wintered in Florida. In 2004 she became a resident of Keystone Cedars in Cedar Rapids and most recently at Hiawatha Care Center in Hiawatha.

She was a Cub Scout den mother for ten years and an avid sports fan. She was a member of Lynnville Friends Church.

She is survived by four sons, Douglas Terpstra of Eau Claire, Wis., Mark Terpstra of Perry, Steven Terpstra of Cedar Rapids and Neal Terpstra of Naperville, Ill.; one sister Linda Kay Westercamp of Des Moines; and six grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband Arnold in 2005.

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Visitation will be held from 1 to 8 p.m., Friday, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell and with the family present from 5:30 to 7:30 Friday evening.

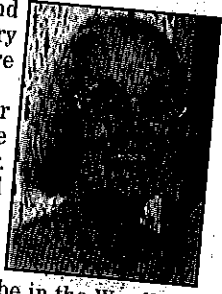
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