Marilyn J. Anderson, 77, of Grinnell and formerly of Toledo, died Thursday, May 11, 2011, from injuries suffered in an automobile accident in Grinnell. Services will be held Saturday, May 21, at 10:30 a.m. at Kruse-Phillips Funeral Home in Tama. Interment will be held at Woodlawn Cemetery in Toledo. Visitation will be held Friday, May 20, from 5 to 8 p.m. at Kruse-Phillips Funeral Home in Tama.

A memorial fund has been established.

Marilyn was born Oct. 12, 1933, in Toledo, the daughter of Harold and Olga Brinsen Thompson. She graduated from Toledo High School.

On Nov. 8, 1951, she was united in marriage with Robert G. Anderson at Trinity Lutheran Church in Malcom. Marilyn was in the service, then a homemaker and raised five sons. Later she was an activity director for Sunny Hill Care Center in Tama and currently was a part-time receptionist at Seeland Parks/St. Francis Manor. Marilyn enjoyed gardening and spending time with her family and friends.

Survivors include five sons, Rob Anderson of Atkins, Mike Anderson of Toledo, Phil Anderson of Atlanta, Ga., Tom Anderson of Medina, Ohio, and Doug Anderson of Cedar Rapids; 15 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and one brother, Robert Thompson of Marshalltown.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband, Robert; two grandsons; two sisters, Irene Hageman and Opal Thompson; and two brothers, Vern, and Alf Thompson.
Fatal accident claims one, injures two on Hwy. 146 Tuesday

A tragic accident took place Tuesday afternoon, May 17, just outside Grinnell, claiming the life of one Grinnellian and sending two others to the hospital. The Iowa State Patrol reported that Marilyn Joyce Anderson, 77, of Grinnell received fatal injuries in the crash.

According to the patrol, Anderson was driving her 2011 Buick Lucerne east on Interstate 80 at about 1:30 p.m. on May 17 when she took the Grinnell exit ramp and stopped at the bottom of the ramp. As Anderson proceeded onto Hwy. 146 to turn north toward Grinnell, her car was struck broadside by a semi truck being driven southbound on Hwy. 146 by Kerri Naylor, 39, of Marshalltown.

Two passengers in the Anderson car were injured in the crash and transported to Grinnell Regional Medical Center. They were Rosemary Schrack, 78, of Grinnell and Barbara Jean Hanssen, 80, of Grinnell. Both Schrack and Hanssen were treated at Grinnell Regional and transferred.

Naylor was not listed as injured. He was driving a semitruck owned by Naylor Trucking of Marshalltown.

The accident remains under investigation.

Patrol revises report on fatal crash

The Iowa State Patrol has revised its report on the accident May 17 just south of Interstate 80 on Hwy. 146. The revised report lists Rosemary Schrack, 78, of Grinnell as the driver of the 2011 Buick Lucerne involved in the accident.

According to the report, Schrack pulled away from the stop sign at the bottom of the exit ramp for eastbound travel on Interstate 80, turning north toward Grinnell at about 1:30 p.m. on May 17 when her car was struck by a semi truck. The accident claimed the life of Marilyn Anderson, 77, of Grinnell, a passenger in the Schrack car.