

GHR 5/30 & 6/2 2011
Germaine 'Gerry' Schmidt



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A Mass of Christian Burial will be held 10:30 a.m., Friday, June 3, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell with the Rev. Nick Adam officiating. Interment will be at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell. Visitation was scheduled for 2 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Smith Funeral Home with the family present to greet friends from 5 to 7 p.m.

Memorials may be designated to the St. Mary's Catholic Church or to Birthright of Grinnell. Memorials can be sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO BOX 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at www.smithfh.com.

Germaine was born the daughter of August Peter Facile and Jennie Marie Wauters on Feb. 5, 1930, in Pipestone, Minn. She was raised in Jasper, Minn., and graduated from Montezuma High School with the class of 1947. She then attended William Penn College in Oskaloosa, where she received her degree in teaching.

She was united in marriage with Harold L. Schmidt on June 25, 1955, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Brooklyn and they resided in Grinnell. She was a teacher for several years and then worked as a dietary aide at the Mayflower Community in Grinnell. Her enjoyments were her family, tending to her garden and flowers, quilting, collecting stamps, and fishing.

She is survived by her husband of 55 years, Harold L. Schmidt of Grinnell; her children, Denise Smith of Grinnell, Craig Schmidt of Montezuma, Patricia Hayes of Osage, Mo., and Susan Murphy of Newton; nine grandchildren; four great grandchildren; and her siblings, Delaine Roorda of Oskaloosa and Alice DeRycke of Belle Plaine.

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Germaine unconditionally loved and provided for her family and made sure their children were raised in a happy home. Gerry was always helping others in anyway she could. Her enjoyments were tending to her garden and flowers, quilting, collecting stamps, and fishing.

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