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In addition to being a loving mother and grandmother, she worked in banking, as a real estate broker, and as a real estate appraiser. She loved reading, spending time with family and friends, and her dog.

Since moving to Grinnell five years ago to be near her grandchildren, Kathleen has been active in the League of Women Voters, her book club, as a grade school reading volunteer, and in her church, St. Mary’s of Grinnell.

She is survived by her son, Charles Steele of Oak Park, Ill.; her daughter, Dr. Michelle Rebealsky of Grinnell; and her three grandchildren.

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