Doris I. Large

Doris I. Large, 85, of Grinnell, died on Thursday, July 26, 2012, at the Mayflower Health Care Center.

A memorial service will be held 11 a.m., Monday, July 30, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Rev. Christine Tinker, chaplain of the Mayflower Community, officiating. Inurnment will be at a later date in the Westfield Cemetery near Grinnell.

Memorials may be directed to the Human Needs Fund of the Mayflower Community.

Doris was born on May 16, 1927, on a farm near Grinnell to Vinton and Lola Squire Carmer. The family lived near Montezuma and Barnes City until 1933 when she moved to Grinnell. While living in Grinnell, she worked at the Grinnell Shoe Company. On Oct. 5, 1946, she was married to John William Large at Montezuma. The couple lived in Grinnell and Searsboro. Besides being a mother and homemaker, she worked in the laundry department of the Grinnell hospital and for Clean Towel Company of Grinnell.

Doris was a member of the former Assembly of God Church in Grinnell and enjoyed doing the cradle roll and transporting children to church camp. She enjoyed fishing, camping and time spent with her children and grandchildren. She was an excellent seamstress and made wedding dresses for her daughters. She enjoyed baking and decorating cakes as well.

Survivors include her two daughters, Jonnie (Larry) Morton of Grinnell and Kathy Large of Searsboro; three grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; two sisters, Bernice Goodwin of Grinnell and Carolyn Buckley of Centerville; and one brother, Earl Carmer of Marshalltown.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; and three brothers, Lloyd, Charles and Dale Carmer.