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Memorials may be directed to the First Friends Church of Lynnville, the Jasper County 4-H, and the Lynnville Historical Society.

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On Dec. 27, 1936, she was married to Leonard Dale Brush in Sully. Eylene and Dale farmed in the Lynnville area and they had lived on their present farm since 1957. Following Dale's death in 2000, she moved into Lynnville, and later to Windsor Manor in Grinnell.

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Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home beginning at 12 noon on Sunday with family members present from 4 to 7 p.m.

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