Donna M. Grovenburg, age 76, of Grinnell, died Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2013, at Mayflower Community Health Care Center in Grinnell.

A celebration of her life will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 26, in the Carmen Center of the Mayflower Community Health Care Center in Grinnell with Pastor Keith Morrison, Grinnell Regional Hospice chaplain, officiating. Interment will be in Rock Creek Cemetery west of Grinnell.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial to be designated in her name to the Mayflower Community Human Needs Fund, 616 Broad Street, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with her family at www.smithfh.com.

Donna was born on Nov. 4, 1936, in Laurel to Donald and Hattie Mae (Benskin) Kinnaird. She was raised in Searsboro and graduated from Searsboro High School in 1954.

She honorably served as a Corporal in the United States Women’s Army Corp during peacetime. She was a basketball standout for Army and was voted most valuable player in 1957. She was united in marriage with Lloyd “Butch” Keith Grovenburg on June 21, 1958, at the First Baptist Church in Grinnell. They had two children and raising their family in Grinnell. Donna worked at Maytag in Newton for 25 years, retiring in March of 1998 and was a member of the Local 997 United Auto Workers for 25 years.

She was an excellent cook, and enjoyed taking care of her flowers, rosebushes and houseplants, and making afghans and crocheting.

Donna is survived by her husband of 55 years, Lloyd “Butch” Grovenburg of Grinnell; her son, Larry Grovenburg of Sioux Falls, S.D.; her daughter, Tammy Britton of Gladbrook; a granddaughter, and her siblings, Wayne Kinnaird of Dubuque, Ill., Wendall Kinnaird of Grinnell, Earl Kinnaird of Grinnell, Bill Kinnaird of Grimes, Judy McCulley of Grinnell, Joan Meyer of Grinnell, and Jerry Kinnaird of Salina, Kan.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

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