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Eleanor was a member of the Sheridan United Methodist Church, Sonora Grange, the Ladies Get Together Club and the Sheridan Homemakers. While attending Searsboro High School, she loved playing basketball. Her hobbies included dancing; crossword puzzles, and she was an avid Hawkeye fan. She enjoyed her family very much and attending her grandchildren's school and sporting events.

She is survived by her children, Helen (Delbert) Archer of Marshalltown, Norma (Richard) Brignon of Grinnell and James (Sue) Ceaser of Toledo; one sister, Irene (Bill) Campbell of Grinnell; her grandchildren, Steven (Pamela) Atcher, Donald (Regina) Atcher, Susan Atcher, Julie (Eugene) Van Ersvelde; Vickie (Daniel) Bogart, Faith (Myron) Hasley, Shannon (Glen) Ramey, Tim (Heather) Ceaser, Tammy (Adam) Mollies and Jennifer (William) Ledvina; her great-grandchildren, Josh, Jessica (Jacob), Nicholas, Katherine, Caroline, Cameron, Josh (Rachel), Jason, Kaitlyn, Braley, Timothy II, Courtney, Breit, Keenan, Dylan, Ashlynn, Dane Drew, Ayden, Isaac, Tristan, Sara and Olivia; and one great-great-grandchild, Harper.

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