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A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, Sept. 20, at the Lynnville Friends Church. Burial will be in Woodland Cemetery near Lynnville.

Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home from 12 noon to 8 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 19, with the family present from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday evening.

Memorials may be directed to the Grinnell Regional Hospice and sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with her family at www.smithfh.com.

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Florence was born on Oct. 21, 1918, the fourth child of Edgar and Ethel Plant Flannigan in Roberts County, S.D. She attended country schools there. She lived in Chicago, Ill., and Oakland, Calif., where she worked at an ammunition plant during WWII.

She was united in marriage with Harold L. Gosselink on July 20, 1944, in New Sharon. They moved to the Lynnville area in 1960. She worked at Gosselink's Grocery, before staying at home to raise their children.

Florence enjoyed gardening, needlework, baking and canning. Her family was her priority. Florence was a rare fan of both the Cubs and the Cardinals. She loved watching her grandchildren in all their activities and sports; supporting both teams, even when her grandchildren played against each other.

Florence is survived by her children, Dot Zylstra of Sully, Dick Gosselink of Grinnell, and Don Gosselink of Pella; eight grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; one great great-grandson; one sister, Eva Beebe of Salem, N.J.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Harold, in 1996; her parents; one sister, Mildred Hughes; and six brothers, Richard, Vern, Roy, Earl, Floyd and Donald Flannigan.