Greta Lou McGimpsey Moore, 83, of Thornburg passed away early Thursday morning, Oct. 17, 2013, at the MHP Hospice Services Serenity House in Oskaloosa.

Greta Lou McGimpsey Moore, daughter of Arthur Charles and Lorene Etta (Edmunsdon) McGimpsey, was born Aug. 18, 1930, in Thornburg. She was a life-long resident of Thornburg and was a 1948 graduate of Thornburg High School. She married her high school sweetheart, David "Jim" James Moore, on July 22, 1949, at the Thornburg United Methodist Church. They began farming in 1951 and were partners in that endeavor for their entire married life. Greta Lou cooked many meals for the farm hands they employed through the 50 years they farmed. She also cooked for six years for the Thornburg School hot lunch program.

Greta Lou attended the Thornburg United Methodist Church as a child and joined the church at an early age. Greta Lou was an active member, teaching Sunday school and Bible school and attending United Methodist Women. After the Thornburg church closed in 2012, Greta Lou attended the What Cheer United Methodist Church, where she faithfully attended the Wednesday morning Bible Brunch. Greta Lou also belonged to a Friendship Club, this club met once a month for more than 60 years and she developed deep and lasting friendships through the years at these monthly meetings.

Greta Lou was survived by her husband of 64 years, Jim, of Thornburg; her children, David Van (Peggy) Moore of Oskaloosa, Joy Lou Ann (Ron) Denison of Thornburg, and James Ace (Meghan) Moore of Somerset, Wis.; seven grandchildren, Joy Dee Xan (Mike) Mooney of Wayne, W.Va., Jace Vance (Courtney) Denison of Odalhe, Kan., and Xavier Ignatius Moore, Coral Fallon Moore, Finian Arthur Moore, Zelda Hyacinth Moore and Lorcan Nollaig Moore, all at home in Somerset, Wis.; and a great-granddaughter, Alexa Lou Mooney.

Greta Lou was preceded in death by her parents.

Funeral services for Greta Lou were held at 11 a.m., Monday, Oct. 21, at Garland-Van Arkel-Langkamp Funeral Chapel in Oskaloosa with the Rev. Vince Homan of the What Cheer United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Sixteen Cemetery near Thornburg. Memorials may be made to the MHP Hospice Services Serenity House. Memories and condolences may be sent by visiting the online obituary guest book at www.gvlfuneralchapel.com.