Alice L. Beck



Alice L. Beck, 83, of Grinnell, died Monday, Dec. 30, 2013, at St. Francis Manor in Grinnell.

A funeral service as held Saturday, Jan. 4, 2014, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Muriel Johannessen, associate minister of St. John's Lutheran Church in Grinnell, officiating. Music was provided by Carolyn Bosse. Casket bearers were Daryl Beck, D.J. Beck, Leon Beck, Roger Beck, Joel Ebel and John Hines. Interment was at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Memorials may be directed to St. John's Lutheran Church in Grinnell.

Alice was born Jan. 19, 1930, in Montezuma, to Frank and Annis Bunch Wood. She was raised in Montezuma and Grinnell before moving to Tama in 1944. Alice graduated from Tama High School in 1948 and moved to Grinnell to work as an operator for the telephone company.

On April 8, 1950, she was united in marriage with Raymond L. Beck at St. John's Lutheran Church in Grin-

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nell. The couple made their home in Grinnell and she worked as a secretary at St. John's Lutheran Church and a bookkeeper for the J.C. Penny store.

Alice was a long-time and active member of St. John's Lutheran Church. She enjoyed gardening and raising flowers, playing cards and quilting. One of her favorite pastimes was making quilts at the church for Lutheran World

She is survived by one daughter, Sharon Howerton of Altenstadt, Germany; two sons, David Beck and Kenneth Beck, all of Grinnell; three grandchildren; two great grandchildren; and her brother, Jim Wood of Aurora, Colo.

Alice was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.