Mildred "Marie" Raber

Mildred "Marie" Raber, age 75, of Kellogg, died on Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2014, at the Mayflower Community Health Care Center in Grinnell.

A funeral service was held Friday, Jan. 17, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with the Rev. Ken Wallace officiating. Interment was in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery near Grinnell.

Memorials may be designated to the Marie Raber Memorial Fund and mailed in care of Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with Marie's family at www.smithfh.com.

Mildred Marie Raber was born on May 21, 1938, in Grinnell, to Lewis Albert Morrison and Mildred Logue (Lamb) Morrison. She was raised and educated in Malcom and Grinnell respectively.

She was united in marriage to Doyle Raber on Sept. 30, 1955, at the Little Brown Church in Nashua. The couple lived in the Grinnell area of their married lives and Marie was a homemaker and assisted Doyle on the farm.

Marie dearly loved her family, especially her grandchildren. She had a great sense of humor and was a little on the comery side. She had a special love of music and was known to have danced to a few songs while vacuuming the house. She also held a special love for all the beauty of nature, from watching a thunderstorm approach on the horizon to watching birds go about their daily routines. Her enjoyments included gardening, canning, baking, cooking and sewing.

She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Doyle Raber of Kellogg; three daughters, Regina (Beverly) Judge of Brooklyn, Rhonda Adkins of Grinnell and Jody (Jim) Davidson of Brooklyn; nine grandchildren, Heather Hartley, Heidi Hartley, Carrie Douglas, Barina, Cuyler Walter, Jason Davidson, Jessica Davidson, Taylor Judge, Christine Rodgers) O'Hara, and Teresa Judge; eight great grandchildren, Jenna and Natasha Walter, Brianna Foubert, Jaysin Maild and grandaughter, Katherine Harvall.

She was preceded in death by her father; brother, David Morrison, and granddaughter, Katherine Harvall.

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She was preceded in death by her father; brother, David Morrison; and one granddaughter.