Dorothy Bos, 82 of What Cheer, died Saturday, January 3, 2015, in Ottumwa. Funeral services will begin at 10 a.m. on Thursday, January 8, 2015 at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in What Cheer. Visitation will begin at noon on Wednesday with family present from 4-7 p.m. Burial will be in the McFarlan Cemetery at What Cheer. Memorial may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.hollandcoblefurneralhomes.com.

Dorothy Jean Bos was born May 12, 1932, in Iowa City, the daughter of Samuel and Ada McKay Carmer. She attended school in Gibson before being united in marriage to Lawrence Bos on February 3, 1949 at the Methodist Church in What Cheer. The couple began farming in What Cheer area where they raised their five children. Dorothy was a member of the Slimmets, and she enjoyed volunteering anywhere she could. She even received an Award of Recognition from Governor Terry Branstad. Dorothy enjoyed dancing and playing all types of games with her family. She will be remembered as a fun, outgoing mother who loved to socialize. She is preceded in death by her parents; a husband, Lawrence Bos; a son, Bob Bos; a brother, Donald Carmer; and a sister, Rose Holland.

Dorothy is survived by three sons: Ed (Katy) Bos of Bettendorf, Bill (Donna) Bos of What Cheer and John (Kathy) Bos of Drakesville; a daughter, LuAnne (Larry Smith) Little of What Cheer; a sister, Kay Biggs of What Cheer; a brother-in-law, Robert Holland of Keswick; a sister-in-law, Louise Bos of What Cheer; 13 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren, with one more on the way.