Beverly J. Parmenter 4-20-2015

Beverly J. Parmenter, 75, of Grinnell, Iowa, died peacefully on Thursday, April 16, 2015, at the Mayflower Health Care Center in Grinnell.

A memorial gathering will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2015, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell. A private family service will be held at Prairie View Cemetery near Gilman, Iowa.

Beverly was born on April 20, 1939, in Hannibal, Missouri, to Oscar and Mary Hamilton.

On March 25, 1961, she was married to Gary Parmenter in New Sharon, Iowa. The couple lived in Gilman until 1964, when they moved to Grinnell. The family owned and operated Parmenter Building and Remodeling Company and Beverly worked as an administrative assistant at General Telephone Company of the Midwest for 26 years.

Survivors include her son, Mark (Lisa Jepson) Parmenter of Hiawatha, Iowa; two grandchildren, Wesley A. Sebekta IV and Noah H. Sebekta; and two sisters, Connie (Ralph) Long of Phillipsburg, Missouri, and Patricia McMorran of Oskaloosa, Iowa.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and her daughter, Jill Sebekta.

The family wishes to thank the current staff of the Mayflower Health Care Center, especially Jodi Cheney and Bev’s aides, Grinnell Regional Hospice and former Mayflower staff member, Kellie McGriff, for the compassionate care they provided.

Should friends desire, memorials may be directed to the Mayflower Community and sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home, P.O. Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.