Esther Loftin, 89, of Grinnell died Friday afternoon, Jan. 29, 2016, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Per her wishes, there will not be any funeral services.

Esther, the daughter of Alvin and Thelma Johnson, was born May 2, 1926. She was united in marriage to LaVerne Loftin on Oct. 2, 1945, and together they had five children.

Esther was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church in Brooklyn. She enjoyed farming with her husband, operating their dairy farm, reading, gardening and mentoring her grandchildren. Later in life, she spent many hours volunteering for Hospice and was involved with Master Gardening Club. She especially loved baking pies and making cookies for her family.

Esther is survived by her children Larry, Duane and Roger Loftin, and Marcia Puls and Brenda Paulson, all of Grinnell; 11 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; and one great great grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; her sister Evelyn Olson and her brother Warren Johnson.