Dorothy Colleen Halterman Smool, 90, of Newton and formerly of Grinnell, died Monday, April 10, 2017, at Skiff Medical Center.

A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, April 14, at the Wallace Family Funeral Home and Crematory in Newton. The family was scheduled to greet friends from 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday, April 13, at the funeral home. Memorials in Dorothy’s name may be left at the funeral home.

Dorothy, the daughter of Marion Noah and Vera Effie Short Halterman, was born on March 18, 1927, in Grinnell. She grew up in Grinnell and attended school there. On Dec. 21, 1945, Dorothy was united in marriage with Virgil "Pete" Smool. In 1965, they moved to Newton. Dorothy worked for 20 years in the laundry area at Skiff Medical Center. After retiring she took care of her husband. Following her husband’s death in 1996, Dorothy got her driver’s license at the age of 69.

Dorothy was a member of the VFW Post 1655 and the Community Heights Alliance Church. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and gardening.

Dorothy is survived by her son, Gary Smool of Sun Lakes, Ariz.; daughter, Connie Wilcox of Newton; six grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; brother, Donald Halterman of Indianola; and many friends and relations.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; two brothers, Martin and Robert Halterman; and one sister, Mildred Garr.