Margaret M. Amo, 89

Margaret M. Amo, age 89, of Grinnell, died on Thursday, September 7, 2017, at her home.

A funeral service was held Saturday, June 16, 2017, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Grinnell with Rev. Kathryn Roys officiating. Organist was Cheryl Irland and vocalist was Lesa Henderson. Interment will be in Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell. A reception followed at St. John's Lutheran Church.

Visitation was Friday at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell and her family will greet friends Friday evening. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be designated to the St. John's Lutheran Church, to Lutheran Services of Iowa, or to Lutheran World Relief, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Condolences may be shared with her family online at www.smithfhs.com.

Margaret Marilyn (Schroeder) Amo was born in Tolley, North Dakota on March 27, 1928 to Henry A. and Hulda (Anderson) Schroeder. She was raised and educated in Tolley, and graduated from Tolley High School in 1946. She graduated with a B.A. degree in music education from Luther College in Decorah, Iowa in 1950.

She taught music and English in Britt, Iowa for two years, where she met her future husband, Marvin D. Amo. They were married in 1952 and moved to Grinnell. Marvin taught English in Grinnell High School and she taught piano for a number of years; then was employed at various businesses in Grinnell. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church where she was active in Lydia Circle, WELCA, Sunday Bible Study, choir, and was an organist for 53 years.

Survivors include her children, David (Dena) Amo of Brooklyn, Iowa, Kathy Amo of Urbandale, Iowa, and Mark (Sara Gaylor) Amo of St. Louis, Missouri; two grandchildren, Alex and Elise Amo; and one step-great grandson. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1999 and a son in infancy.