OBITUARIES

GRINNELL RESIDENT

Ruth A. Dunrick, 90

Ruth A. Dunrick, 90, of Grinnell, went to be with the Lord on Friday, October 27, 2017, at the Brooklyn Community Estate. A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, November 1, 2017, at the First Friends Church in Grinnell with the Rev. Steve Savage, pastor of the church, officiating. Tom Palmer will be the eulogist and Kathy Vanderploeg will be the pianist. Casket Bearers will be her grandchildren, Jessica Webb, Eric Webb, Katie Muhs, Michael Brewer, Misty Brewer, Joshua Dunrick and Amanda Dunrick. Interment will be at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell with the Smith Funeral Home of Grinnell in charge of arrangements.

Friends may call at the funeral home beginning at 12 noon on Tuesday and the family will be present from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday.

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

Ruth was born on Tuesday, June 7, 1927, in Grinnell, Iowa, to Robert and Naomi Reavis Pierce. She was raised in Grinnell and graduated with the Class of 1944 from Grinnell High School. Following graduation from high school, she attended God's Biblical School in Cincinnati, Ohio. She returned to Grinnell and was employed in a Grinnell bakery.

On March 23, 1957, she was united in marriage to Andrew Dunrick at the First Friends Church in Grinnell. The couple lived in Kellogg and Newburg before moving to Grinnell and she raised their three children. She was also employed at General Telephone of the Midwest, the Montgomery Ward Store and spent 17 years as the head cook for the Hawkeye Valley of the Aging Agency.

Ruth was a long time member of the First Friends Church in Grinnell and was a member of the United Society of Friends Women and Church Women United. Her love of the Lord was evident in the amount of time spent in church related matters, bible studies and quiet time in prayer. She was a youth group leader, Sunday school teacher, leader of Pioneer Girls and was treasurer of the ministerial council. Ruth also enjoyed gardening, canning produce, baking and caring for her home and family.

Survivors include her husband, Andrew Dunrick of Brooklyn; her children, Marcia Brewer of Searboro, Mark (Debra) Dunrick of Waverly and Marlin Dunrick of Marion; her grandchildren, Jessica (Eric) Webb of Waverly, Katie (Nathan) Muhs of Highlands Ranch, Colorado, Michael and Misty Brewer, both of Searboro, Joshua Dunrick of Hiawatha and Amanda Dunrick of Marshalltown; and her great grandchildren, Kellen, Bennett and Lincoln Webb and Madelyn and Connor Muhs.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three sisters, Mae Graham, Pauline Clausen and Patti Calleri; and three brothers, James, Floyd and Francis Pierce.