Barbara Louise Duncan was born on Dec. 19, 1925, in Grinnell, the daughter of George D. Roe and Emma Edith Halterman Roe. She was raised in Grinnell and graduated from Grinnell High School with the class of 1943.

On April 19, 1946, Barbara was united in marriage with Clifford Duncan, Jr. at the Gretna Green Chapel in Las Vegas, Nevada. They moved to Grinnell from California in 1947. Barbara was a homemaker who raised four daughters and was the “official” bookkeeper of Duncan Electric. She also owned and operated Barb’s Ceramics and held painting classes for people to gather, paint and converse. She made countless quilts, was an avid stamp collector and loved antiques.

Barbara’s biggest enjoyment was her family. They enjoyed attending their daughter’s and grandchildren’s activities, trips to California to see Cliff’s family, fishing trips to Minnesota, big family reunions, and golfing and bowling tournaments.

Barbara is survived by three daughters, Heipsie Bywater of Long Island, N.Y., Dodie Telfer of Newton, and Jackie Akery of Brooklyn; one brother, Richard Roe of Gilman; four grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Barbara was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Clifford Duncan; daughter, Barbara Ann Huggins; two grandchildren; and siblings, George Roe, Jane Morton, Peggy Fleming, and Chuck Roe.