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## Lois Quindt

Lois Quindt, age 92, of Altoona, died on Thursday, October 25, 2018, at the Taylor House in Des Moines.

A funeral service was held at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 30th at the First Lutheran Church in St. Ansgar, Iowa. Visitation was held one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment was at Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Mona, Iowa.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be designated in her name to a local library of the donor's choice, mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memo-

ries and condolences may be shared with the family online at [www.smithfh.com](http://www.smithfh.com).



Lois Marie (Helfritz) Quindt was born April 8, 1926, in Lyle, Minn., the eighth of nine children born to Ben and Lizzie (Olson) Helfritz. She graduated from Lyle High School in 1944.

On March 7, 1948, Lois was married to Harvey William Quindt in Lyle. She spent seventeen years as a military wife, living in Tampa and Orlando, Fla., Savannah, Ga., Ft. Worth, Texas, and Westfield, Mass., raising their two children, Connie and Tom. Upon Harvey's retirement from the Air Force, they settled in Grinnell, Iowa, and later lived in St. Ansgar, Iowa. Lois was a breast cancer survivor and was active in her local churches and in the American Legion Auxiliary. She enjoyed reading, bowling, cooking, sewing and making clothes.

Lois is survived by her children, Connie Van Gorp of Altoona and Tom (Pam) Quindt of West Des Moines; grandchildren, Michele (Scott) Zeidler of Breezy Point, Minn., Chris (Lisa) Van Gorp of Prairie City, Iowa, Carrie (Jerry) Chiles of Altoona, Holly (Devin) Hunt of Williamsburg, Iowa, and Mark (Colleen) Quindt of Newton, Iowa; and eleven great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother Robert (Beverly) Helfritz of Austin, Minn.

Lois was preceded in death by her parents; her loving husband, Harv; great granddaughter, Riley Chiles; and seven siblings, Matie Lavina Helfritz, Willard Helfritz, Russell Helfritz, Otto Helfritz, Delmar Helfritz, Hazel Naversath, and Gladys Jorgenson.