

Doris Bahrenfuse



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Doris Bahrenfuse, 85, of Grinnell died Monday, Nov. 20, 2006, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A funeral service was held Nov. 22 at Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Susan Leathem officiating. Interment was in Westfield Cemetery, rural Grinnell. Memorials may be made to Westfield Cemetery Association or to Pleasant View Methodist Church and sent in care of Smith Funeral Home.

She was born April 27, 1921, on the family farm south of Kellogg to Earl and Esther Braley Tough. She grew up near Kellogg and attended Buena Vista #1 rural school near her home, later graduating from Kellogg High School with the Class of 1940. She was united in marriage with Clair Edward "Barney" Bahrenfuse on Nov. 9, 1946, at Pleasant View Church southwest of Kellogg. They farmed east of Kellogg throughout their entire married life as she also pursued the career of homemaker.

She was a lifelong member of Pleasant View Church southwest of Kellogg where her mother also had been a lifelong member. She was a long-time volunteer at the Kellogg Historical Museum and a long-time member of the Tuesday Quilters. She and her husband enjoyed traveling, and from the mid-1970s had wintered in Plant City and Dover, Fla. She also enjoyed quilting, and collecting hickory nuts and walnuts in the fall which she shared with friends and family.

She is survived by one son Robert "Barney" Bahrenfuse of Grinnell and one daughter, Carol Ohm of Alden, Minn.; four grandchildren; three great grandchildren and her sister Mary Parsons of Kellogg. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and two brothers, Robert and Donald Tough.