

Betty Kelm 6H-R
7-19-2021



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Memorials may be designated to Trinity Lutheran Church, mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with Betty's family online at www.smithfh.com.

Betty Lou Haines was born on Feb. 16, 1928, in Brooklyn to Andrew and Pearl Otto Haines. She was raised and educated in Grinnell.

Betty was united in marriage with Eldon L. Kelm on Sept. 13, 1952, in Malcom, and they had one son. They lived on a farm near Malcom and Betty was a longtime employee of GTE (General Telephone) in Grinnell. She was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church, Grinnell Regional Medical Center Ladies Auxiliary, and the Afternoon Circle.

Betty treasured her family, especially family gatherings, and her other enjoyments included cooking, collecting cookbooks, reading, bird watching, and enjoying the beauty and tranquility of nature.

Betty is survived by her son, Brian Kelm of Arcadia, Fla.; one grandson; two great grandsons; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Eldon Kelm; one grandson and one granddaughter; brothers, Wallace, Ralph, John, Bill and Raymond Haines; sisters, Zella Delk, Hazel Haines, Fern Freeborn, and Catherine Akers; and several nieces and nephews.

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