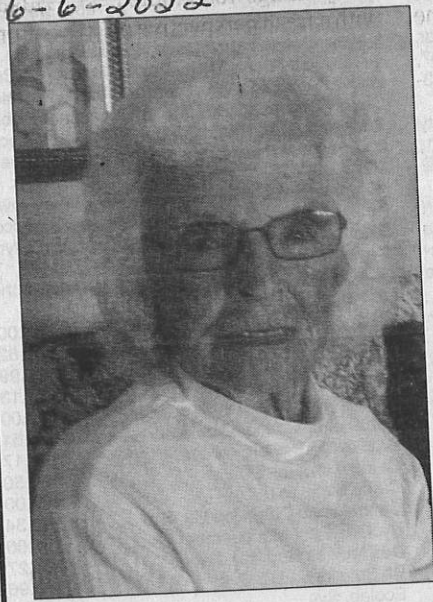


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Colleen Wiley



Colleen Wiley, 95, of Grinnell, died on Saturday, June 4, 2022, at Windsor Manor in Grinnell.

Visitation will begin at 2:00 pm on Tuesday, June 7th at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell and her family will receive friends from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm.

A public graveside service will be held at 10:00 am on Wednesday, June 8th at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be designated to the Grinnell Veterans Memorial Building Fund or to PALS (Poweshiek Animal League Shelter) and mailed in care of

the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, IA 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with her family online at www.smithfh.com.

Colleen Mae Adkins Wiley was born in Laurel, Iowa on January 9, 1927, to Lester and Elma (Polhamus) Adkins. The family moved to the Rock Creek area west of Grinnell, where Colleen attended country school. She graduated from Grinnell High School with the Class of 1944.

Colleen was united in marriage to Lyle Raymond Wiley on November 30, 1946 in Newton, Iowa. They farmed four miles north of Grinnell until 1954, when they moved to the present farm two miles north on Penrose Street. She was very proud this farm had been in the family over 100 years and became a century farm in 2008. Colleen was an avid gardener, loved mowing the yard on her Cub Cadet, walked every day, and loved making waffle cookies and brownies. Her first love was her life on the farm and cherished her home there.

Colleen was a charter member of the Grinnell Christian Church, was active in the Ladies Fellowship, and had taught Sunday School for 25 years. Colleen was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary for well over 50 years. She was very patriotic and advocated for the restoration of the Grinnell Veterans Memorial Building. She worked at DeLong's jacket factory as an inspector for approximately 10 yrs. She also volunteered for Meals on Wheels in her younger years.

Colleen is survived by her three children, Candy Ahrens of Ankeny, IA, Bill Wiley of Overland Park, KS, and Cindy Manly of Okoboji, IA; four grandchildren, Lisa Ahrens, Eric Ahrens, Kathleen Manly, and John Manly; and one great grandchild, Jessica Ahrens. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Lyle in 2007; brother, Morris Adkins; sisters, Gweneth Schmidt and Beverly Wertz; and son-in-law, Al Ahrens.