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Funeral plans are pending at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home in Marshalltown. Friends may call Pursel-Davis Funeral Home and Crematory, 641-753-5511, for additional information.

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A funeral service was held Monday, Sept. 24, in the chapel of Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory in Marshalltown, with cremation following and private family interment Tuesday in Riverside Cemetery in Marshalltown. Memorials may be made to Marshalltown Central Iowa Residential Services Inc. (CIRSI) or the Career Development Center in Marshalltown. Condolences may be sent to www.purseldavis.com.

She was born July 28, 1937, in Marshalltown, the daughter of Earl and Callista Lang Collins. She grew up in Marshalltown and graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1956. On Jan. 17, 1959, she was united in marriage with Jack Sharer at St. Mary's Rectory in Marshalltown. They lived in Marshalltown prior to her husband's service in the armed forces. Following his honorable discharge, they lived in rural Laurel before moving in 1988 to Grinnell where she was employed in the dietary department at St. Francis Manor. She was an avid reader and loved to play cards, and especially loved her family and grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband of 48 years, Jack Sharer of Grinnell; one son, Martin Sharer of Marshalltown and two daughters, Julie Sharer of Marshalltown and Angelene Fouch of Altoona; four grandchildren; five sisters, Barbara Freland, Helen Halverson, Maxine Randall and Patricia Finch, all of Marshalltown, and her twin sister, Joanne Breusehoff of San Diego, Calif. She was preceded in death by her parents; one sister Rita Dummer and three brothers, Louie, Mike and Bud Collins.

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