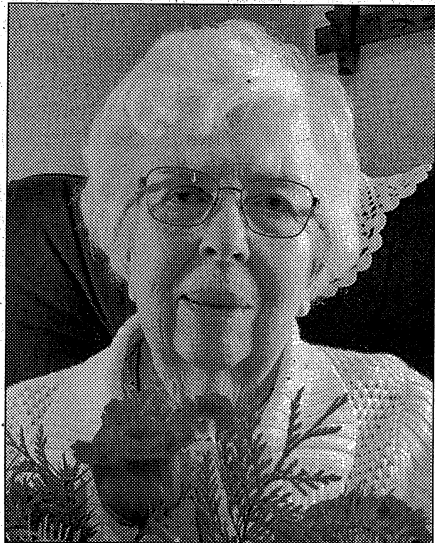


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Jane Marie (Lang) Thompson

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To that marriage four children were born: Craig, Joy, Claudia, and Laura. As a full-time homemaker, Jane found pleasure in devoting herself to working around the house, caring for her husband, and raising their family. Faith was the cornerstone of their marriage and led them to become charter members of Grinnell Christian Church. As active members, Jane and Don instilled in their children the importance of church attendance, involvement, and living out their faith.

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Desiring to be closer to family, they returned to Grinnell in 1980 and lived on West Street. In 1995, Don and Jane moved into an addition onto Joy and Danny's home on Carroll's Pumpkin Farm and proved to be invaluable help with the family business for nearly 20 years. Jane baked dozens of chocolate chip and molasses cookies and grew 300 mums each year. Don helped with chores and spent hours caring for the grounds.

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Jane Marie Thompson

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