

Obituaries

Georgia F. Diehm



Georgia F. Diehm, 87, of Grinnell died Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2008, at St. Francis Manor in Grinnell.

A funeral service was held Saturday, Oct. 4, at First Assembly of God Church in Newton. Interment was in Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell. Memorials may be designated to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. On-line condolences may be submitted to the Diehm family at www.smithfh.com.

She was born the daughter of Earl and Lulu Tennant Belcher, on Oct. 29, 1920, in Marshalltown. The family moved several times throughout her

youth before moving to Grinnell. She was united in marriage with Bernhardt "Bert" Diehm on Dec. 17, 1938, in Newton. The couple resided in Grinnell and to this union were born eleven children. She worked at the Grinnell Shoe Factory and Midwest Manufacturing in Kellogg before working at St. Francis Hospital in Grinnell. She then was a homemaker who tended to the needs of their children.

She found strength in her family and her faith in God and was known to have a keen sense of humor. She was an excellent cook who prepared home-cooked meals her family looked forward to on the holidays. She enjoyed tending her garden and her flowers, reading comic books, quilting, braiding rag rugs and reading the Bible several times over.

She is survived by her children, Betty O'Halloran of Malcom, Clara Duntz of Des Moines, Linda Diehm of Newton, Carol Rogers of Springfield, Mo., Patricia Mausekemo of Tama, Joseph Diehm of Newton, Diane Mortensen of Keota, Debbie Howard of New Sharon, and Daniel Diehm of Grinnell; 24 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren and seven great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her sons, Bertie and Jake Diehm; her great grandson, Tyler Howard; her great granddaughter, Caitlin Mausekemo; her brother, Earl Belcher; and her sisters, Helen Miller, Arlene Beason, Mary Mart and Armeta Moose.

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