

## Dorothy M. Fleener

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A funeral service will be held on Friday, June 19, at 11 a.m. at Calvary Baptist Church with Rev. Don Johnston, pastor of the church, officiating. Interment will be in Hazelwood Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 12 noon to 8 p.m., on Thursday, June 18, at Smith Funeral Home with family members present from 6 to 8 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to Calvary Baptist Church or to Grinnell Regional Hospice. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at [www.smithfh.com](http://www.smithfh.com).

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She was a charter member of Calvary Baptist Church, where she taught Sunday School, led the ladies' missionary group, a Bible study teacher, gave rides to church to anyone who needed one and always was willing to help anyone in need.

She is survived by her husband Ralph of Grinnell; her son, Don Fleener of Grinnell; her daughter, Janet Muckler of Grinnell; two sisters, Vera VanWyngarden of Grinnell and Shirley Harrelson of Montezuma; eight grandchildren and ten great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her son, Robert in infancy; her daughter, Marilyn Rector; one sister, Verna Harbin and two brothers Richard 'Dick' Wahner and Alfred 'Junior' Wahner.

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Dorothy was very devoted to her family and her church. She was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church and very active in every aspect of the church. She taught Sunday School, was a charter member of the Calvary Baptist Church, led the ladies missionary group, Bible study teacher, gave rides to anyone who needed one to church, and was always willing to help anyone in need. She was famous for her pecan pie. Dorothy loved the fishing trips to Minnesota and Canada. She spent many hours in the garden and canning her produce.

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