Avis A. Haines

Avis A. Haines, 73, of Gilman, formerly of Grinnell, died Friday, May 9, 2008, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A funeral service will be held Tuesday, May 13, at Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Susan Sanning, chaplain of Grinnell Regional Hospice, officiating. Casket bearers will be Rusty Ervin, Joshua Grother, Jim Haines, Sam Haff, Cody Kepel and Nate Kepel. Burial will be in Prairie View Cemetery, rural Gilman.

A memorial in her name has been established. Friends may call at the funeral home beginning at noon Monday; family members will be present from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday.

She was born Jan. 20, 1935, in Kellogg to William R. and Gussie E. Boese Crockett. She was raised in Kellogg, graduating from Kellogg High School.

She was married on July 28, 1956, to Russell Haines in Grinnell. The family lived in Grinnell, moving to Gilman in 1961. She worked as a seamstress for DeLong’s Sportswear for over 20 years.

She enjoyed gardening, yardwork and feeding birds and squirrels. She also enjoyed country music and dancing.

She is survived by her son Russell Haines of Marshalltown; her daughter, Joyce Haines of Grinnell; seven grandchildren; and one great grandson. She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; one daughter Connie Lee Haines; three half-sisters and three half-brothers.