Darlene Hull, 88

Darlene Hull, 88, of Grinnell, died on Tuesday, July 28, 2009, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A funeral service was held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, July 31, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with the Rev. John Epperson, pastor of the Grinnell Christian Church, officiating. Pianist was Lorna Lang.

Casket Bearers were Chad Hull, Michael Hull, Mark Ranfeld, Glenn Ratcliff Jr., Chris Ratcliff, Brad Ratcliff, and Chris Sheets. Flower Bearers were Lisa Sheets, Karen Buhr and Dominique Hull. Interment was at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Memorials may be directed to the First Baptist Church in Grinnell.

Condolences to the family may be sent via www.smithfh.com.

Darlene was born on May 22, 1921, at Malcom, to Charles and Myrtle Grehn Morrison. She was raised in the Malcom area and graduated from Malcom High School.

On Oct. 22, 1945, she was married to Donald E. Hull in Grinnell. The couple operated a grain and livestock farm near Grinnell and she was a homemaker.

Darlene was a member of the First Baptist Church in Grinnell and she enjoyed serving on church committees, preparing food for church functions and serving Communion. She was also a member of the Harmony Ladies Aid and she enjoyed working at food stands at the Poweshiek County Fair.

Survivors include her children, Darrel (Cheryl) Hull of Grinnell, Donna (Glenn) Ratcliff of Newton, and Dean (Daniela) Hull of Meisenheim, Germany; six grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren; and one brother, Lavern Morrison of Grinnell.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents; two sons, Dale and Dennis Hull; one brother, William Morrison; and one sister, Marjorie Morrison.