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A funeral service was held at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 19, at the United Methodist Church with the Rev. Len Eberhart and Deacon Diane Eberhart officiating. Interment followed in Hazelwood Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to the Grinnell Regional Hospice.

Pauline Thomas Roe was born on Dec. 16, 1918, in Kellogg, to Frank and Mamie Gooch Thomas. She graduated from Newton High School in 1936, and on Aug. 15, 1936, she was married to George D. Roe in Unionville, Mo. To this union were born, Sally Ann, Nancy Leigh, Susan Pauline, Betty Jean, Mary Edith and Robert William.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women. "Polly" was always known for her kindness and her openness for friendship. She was always laughing and joking and could find the good in any situation. Polly loved to play Scrabble and Banana Mania to keep her mind sharp. She was a great listener, subtle with her advice, and a confidante for many.

Polly is survived by her children, Sally (Larry) Kafer of Plainfield, Nancy (Tom) Clifton of Grinnell, Susan (Jim) Crawford of Mission, Texas, Betty (Jim) Burrow of Delray Beach, Fla., Mary (Danny) Dunn of Sherwood, Ark., and Bob (Sonja) Roe of Aurora, Ohio; 11 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; and her sister, Shirley Stoker of Grinnell.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, George, in 1988; and her brother, Raymond Thomas.
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May 18, 2009