

Lucille C. Lidtka (Virgil T.)

Funeral services were held Monday morning, June 9, at the Sheridan United Methodist Church for Lucille C. Lidtka, 90, of Grinnell, who died Thursday, June 5, 1997, at St. Francis Manor of congestive heart failure. The Rev. William B. Daylong, pastor of the church, and Mrs. Carol Wehr of Grinnell officiated. Pianist was Mrs. Barbara Graham and vocalist was Mr. Edward Hotchkin. Casketbearers were Floyd Heishman, Lyle Heishman, Franklin Reimers, John Reimers, Clair Simmons and Norman Wehrle. Burial was in the Sheridan Cemetery.

Lucille C. Lidtka was born on Jan. 22, 1907, in Rock Creek Township, Jasper County, Iowa, to Thomas Jefferson and Mary Nettie Moore Phipps. She was raised in Grinnell and attended Grinnell schools.

On Oct. 16, 1923, she was married to Virgil Truman Lidtka at Chicago, Ill. The couple farmed in Chester, Madison and Sheridan townships near Grinnell. She retired in 1966 and moved to Grinnell in 1971.

She was a member of the Sheridan United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband and one sister, Leone Garrett.

Survivors include one son, Lavern Lidtka of Malcom; two daughters, Elaine Heishman and Carolyn Hotchkin, both of Grinnell; 11 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Bernice Mack of Monmouth, Ore.; and two brothers, David Phipps of Bloomington, Minn., and Lloyd Phipps of Port Angelus, Wash.

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Memorials may be made to the Sheridan United Methodist Church.

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