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Velma Simmons

Velma G. Simmons, 72, of the Oak Grove community south of Grinnell died of a heart ailment Sunday, July 14, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Ray Standerwick, pastor of the Oak Grove Friends Church, officiating. Organist was Margaret Wheeler, and organist was Roger Kendall. Pallbearers were Randy Ferguson, Larry D. Goodman, Virgil A. Goodman, Jim Graham, Lee

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King and George Manning. Burial was in Westfield Cemetery southwest of Grinnell.

The daughter of Robert G. and Effie E. Wagner Morrison, she was born June 6, 1919, on a farm northwest of Deep River. She attended rural school and graduated from Guernsey High School in 1937.

She was married to Bernard H. Simmons Feb. 14, 1978, in Oskaloosa. The couple lived in the Oak Grove neighborhood. Mrs. Simmons was a member of the Oak Grove Friends Church, which she served as treasurer. She was also a member of the Missionary Society and a former member of the American Legion Auxiliary.

A former employee of the Grinnell Shoe Company and Midwest Metal Stamping Co. in Kellogg, she worked for Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance

Co. for 21 years, retiring in 1984.

Surviving are her husband; her stepchildren, Jerry Simmons and Linda Heishman, both of Grinnell; five step-grandchildren; four step-great-grandchildren; and four sisters, Essie M. Goodman of Millersburg, Neva V. Readnour of Garrison, Lola M. Foster of Grinnell and Edith E. Morrison of Montezuma. She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Clare R. Morrison.

Memorials in Mrs. Simmons's name may be left at the Smith Funeral Home.