

Helen C. Schmitz

Helen C. Schmitz, 73, of Fairfax, a native of Malcom, died after a short illness Wednesday, May 29, in Cedar Rapids.

Funeral services were held Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Walford, with the Rev. Phil Thompson officiating. Burial was at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell. Teahen Funeral Home of Cedar Rapids was in charge of arrangements.

She was born Sept. 15, 1928, in Malcom to John and Mabel Schultz Staecker. She was married to Raymond J. Schmitz Sept. 15, 1953, in Grinnell. He died in 1989.

Mrs. Schmitz worked in customer service for Apac, retiring in 1999. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, the Altar and Rosary Society and John XXIII Catholic Church.

Surviving are a son, Michael of Cedar Rapids; two daughters, Donna McGurk of Walford and Marie Schulte of Fairfax; two sisters, Alys "Dickie" Staecker of Cedar Rapids and June "Elaine" Zumwalt of Cedar Rapids; five grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; and one step-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, three brothers, four sisters and an infant daughter, Carol Marie.

A memorial fund has been established.

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