

Vinnie Spire

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Vinnie Lorraine Spire, 69, of Grinnell died Sunday, March 9, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with Ann B. See officiating. Pallbearers were Darrell Bogue Jr., Duane Bogue, Kevin Lennie and Gil Lucy. Burial was in Sheridan Cemetery.

The daughter of John and Ethel Pulper Smith, she was born June 3, 1927, in Garwin. She later moved with her family to Montour, where she was raised. She received her education in Whiskey Bottom School near Montour.

She was married to John See Jr. Jan. 28, 1945, in Tama, where the couple lived. Mr. See was killed in a car accident in July 1953. She later married Charles Spire in the early 1960s.

Mrs. Spire lived in Sheridan Township for several years before moving to Grinnell in 1973. Most recently, she was a resident of Friendship Manor. She was a member of the Grinnell American Legion Auxiliary and the Grinnell Eagles Lodge.

Surviving are three children, Paul See of Sheboygan, Wis., Katherine Bogue of Tama and Joan Kepler of Cedar Rapids; five sisters, Lois Jordan, Marlis Lennie and Donna Purk, all of Tama, Ruth Smith of Ft. Dodge and Lena Jordan of Marshalltown; nine grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; both husbands; and one brother, Bill Smith, who died in the Korean Conflict.

A Lorraine Spire Memorial Fund has been established.

Mr. R. Murch 13. 1997