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December 14, 1995

Myrtle Lee Vitera

Myrtle Lee Vitera, 74, of Grinnell died of a heart attack at her home Monday, Dec. 11.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday morning at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Robert D. Cook, pastor of the New Hope United Methodist Church of Des Moines, officiating. Organist was Alice Renaud, and vocalist was Milton Severe. Pallbearers were Larry Cook, Brad Herrold, Tom McBee, John McKean, David McDowell and Terry McDowell. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

She was the daughter of Harvey and Maude Halterman Smith and was born April 28, 1921, in Grinnell. She was a 1940 graduate of Grinnell High School.

She was married to Lawrence "Bo" Vitera May 24, 1942, in Memphis, Mo. They lived in Grinnell where she worked at the Grinnell Shoe Company and for many years as a sales clerk at the Grinnell College Book Store. She retired in 1990.

Mrs. Vitera was a member of the VFW Auxiliary of Montezuma, the American Legion Auxiliary of Grinnell and the Eagles Lodge of Grinnell.

She is survived by one son, Jerry of Grinnell; one daughter, Debbie Herrold of Norwalk; three sisters, Mary Cook of Montezuma, Florence McDowell of Grinnell and Elna Stanley of Newton; and three grandsons.

Memorial contributions in her name may be made to the Grinnell Senior Citizens Center.

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