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Catherine Boat

Catherine E. Boat, 411 West St., Grinnell, died of cancer Friday, June 6, 2003, at her home.

A funeral service will be held Tuesday, June 10, at Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Dr. Duffy Meads, chaplain of Grinnell Regional Hospice, officiating. Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery. Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home beginning at 12 noon on Monday with her family present from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Memorials may be made to Grinnell Regional Hospice or the American Cancer Society.

She was born Dec. 1, 1923, in Charlotte, N.C., and was raised in Norfolk County, Va. She graduated from high school in Norfolk County and worked for various contractors during the war effort of World War II.

She was married on June 24, 1944, to Theodore F. Boat in Norfolk. The couple moved to Grinnell in 1945 and she worked in the meat department at McNally's Food Store for over 30 years. She enjoyed gardening, sewing and animals.

She is survived by one son Patrick J. Boat of Grinnell; one grandchild; three great grandchildren; one brother Raymond Umphlett of Virginia Beach, Va., and three sisters, Evelyn Roberts of Virginia Beach, Eunice Mae Jones of Chesapeake, Va., and Connie Wither of Moyock, N.C.

She was preceded in death by her husband; one son Michael Boat; one grandson Scott Deatherage and one brother Ernest Umphlett.