Olive A. Burnham

Olive A. Burnmham, 93, of Grinnell died Friday, July 4, 2003, at St. Francis Manor.

A funeral service will be held

Wednesday, July 9, at 10:30 a.m. at First Friends Church with Anthony Nieuwsma officiating. Organ music will be by Kathy McCune. Pall bearers and honorary bearers will be her 18 grandchildren. Burial will be in Woodland Cemetery in Lynnville. Visitation will be Monday from 12 to 9 p.m. at Smith Funeral Home with the family present from 6 to 8 p.m. Memorials may be made to First Friends Church or St. Francis Manor.

The daughter of Jesse Lowell and Martha Etta Dearinger Meredith, she was born Sept. 10, 1909, east of Searsboro in Poweshiek County. She was raised in the Searsboro area and received her education in the Lynnville School District. She was married on Aug. 17, 1927, in Newton to Albert Curtis Burnham. They farmed in Jasper County before moving to Grinnell in 1972. She was a member and past president of the Grinnell Eagles Auxiliary and a member of First Friends Church.

She is survived by three sons Kenneth of Grinnell, Wayne of Spencer and Russell of Kellogg; one daughter, Carol Hudnutt of Grinnell; 18 grandchildren; 38 great grandchildren and two brothers, Lowell Meredith of Grinnell and H. Devern Meredith of Searsboro. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; two sons Charles and Richard; one daughter in infancy; four sisters, Bernice Ponder, Ila Van Willigen, Neola Edwards and Mildred Renaud, and two brothers, Melvin and Leland Meredith.