

Elaine Hamman



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Elaine Hamman, 92, of Grinnell died Monday, Jan. 25, 2010, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, Jan. 30, at 10:30 a.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church with the Rev. Kathryn Roys, pastor of the church, officiating. Organist will be Cheryl Irland and vocalist will be Roger Henderson. Casket bearers will be Kevin, William and Eyan Hieber, Jeffrey and Scott McDaniel and Tannor Peska. Interment will be in Hazelwood Cemetery.

Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home beginning at 12 noon Friday with family members present from 5 to 7 p.m. Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church or to muscular dystrophy.

She was born July 9, 1917, in Shenandoah to Oscar and Helen Parson Wallin. She was raised in Farragut, graduating from Farragut High School in 1933. She was united in marriage with Ralph E. Hamman on July 24, 1935, in Stanton. They moved to Grinnell in 1947 where her husband managed the Spurgeon's store. She worked from 1960 to 1978 as a bookkeeper and teller at the former Poweshiek County National Bank. The family also owned and operated Hamman's Apparel on Main Street in Grinnell from 1960 to 1989.

She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church and active in its women's circle. She also was a member of the Soroptimist Club and the Grinnell Area Chamber of Commerce.

She is survived by two daughters, Lois Hieber of Solon and Phyllis McDaniel of Punta Gorda Fla.; four grandchildren; six great grandchildren; and one brother, Donovan L. Wallin of Sugarland, Texas. She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; two brothers, Orville and Robert Wallin, and one sister, Elanore Salfrank.