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Friends may call Thursday at Smith Funeral Home beginning at 12 noon with family members present from 6 to 8 p.m. Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church.

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She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church and its Mary/Martha Circle; a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Grinnell Band Boosters and the former St. Francis Hospital Auxiliary.

She is survived by one daughter, Janet L. Holcomb of Grinnell; one son, the Rev. Jack Mithelman of Des Moines; ten grandchildren; ten great grandchildren; four great great grandchildren; and one sister, Clara Halstead of Grinnell. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; two daughters, Janie Rupe and Judith Lindblom; four sisters, Bessie Wright, Sally Todd, Hazel Brim and Margaret Osborn; and five brothers, Albert, Alvin, Bob, Roy and Ray Bryan. *GHR 11-18-10*

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