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Beulah Mae Hansen

Beulah Mae Hansen, 82, of Marshalltown died Monday, May 5, 2008, at Grandview Heights Care Center.



A graveside funeral service was held Thursday, May 8, at Rose Hill Memorial Gardens. Condolences may be sent to www.mitchellfh.com. Memorials may be directed to her family at Mitchell Family Funeral Home in Marshalltown.

She was born June 26, 1926, in Somerset, Ky., to F. Hubert and Dora Wilson Dobbs. Her parents left their rural home a few years later for Grinnell where she grew up, attending Davis Elementary School, Grinnell Junior High School and graduating in 1944 from Grinnell High School. On Nov. 21, 1945, she was united in marriage at the Baptist Temple in Marshalltown by Pieter Smith with Lawrence Arnold Hensen who had just returned from the China Burma-India Theater during World War II. They farmed south of Marshalltown for many years. After their children were grown, she attended Marshalltown Community College, graduating with Associate Degrees in Arts and Science.

She was a homemaker who also worked some evenings at Fisher Governor and at the Iowa Veterans Home. She was a member of the Fellowship Baptist Church in Marshalltown and also a charter member of Liberty Baptist Church.

She enjoyed her church and music, and also baby sitting her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

She is survived by four sons, Roger Hansen of Eldora, Jay Hansen of Marshalltown, Scott Hansen of Rock Island, Ill., and Paul Hansen of Independence, Mo.; nine grandchildren and ten great grandchildren; three brothers, Paul Dobbs, Fresno, Calif.; Earl Dobbs, Nashville, Tenn., and Johnny Dobbs of Marshalltown; three sisters, Rose Godfrey of Marshalltown, Mary Ann Wilmax of Gladbrook and Georgia Colleen Dobbs of Nashville, Tenn. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, one brother Earnest Dobbs and her eldest son Larry Hansen.