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Memorials may be made to Sheridan United Methodist Church.

She was born June 13, 1924, in rural Grinnell to Virgil and Lucile Phipps Lidtka. She attended rural school, then graduated from Grinnell High School with the class of 1942.

On June 15, 1942, she was united in marriage with Earl Heishman in Los Angeles, Calif. They resided in California prior to moving to Grinnell. She received a teaching certificate from Drake University, then taught in rural schools. Following her husband's discharge from the military, the couple farmed in Sheridan Township.

She was a homemaker who also worked for General Telephone Company and in addition was a business partner with H&B True Value in Grinnell.

She was a member of Sheridan United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women and Sheridan and Sonora Granges.

She is survived by her husband Earl Heishman of Grinnell; two daughters, Debra Lewis of Grinnell and Denise Brauer of Littleton, Colo.; five grandchildren and one great granddaughter; one brother Lavern Lidtka of Grinnell and one sister Carolyn Hotchkin of Grinnell. She was preceded in death by her parents.

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The Smith Funeral Home of Grinnell was in charge of arrangements.

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Elaine was a member of the Sheridan United Methodist Church, the United Methodist Women and the Sheridan and Sonora Granges.

She enjoyed reading, solving crossword puzzles, playing cards and bird watching. The couple enjoyed traveling throughout the United States, Alaska and Switzerland. She also enjoyed the Iowa Hawkeyes, attending high school basketball games, auto racing, and socializing with her former high school classmates.

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