

## Iona L. Edwards



Iona L. Edwards, 86, of Grinnell, died on Sunday, Dec. 16, 2012, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A funeral service was held Friday, Dec. 21, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Rev. Kathryn Roys, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, officiating. Music was provided by Linda Ryal. Interment was scheduled for Friday, Dec. 21, at the Westfield Cemetery south of Grinnell.

Memorials may be directed to the Westfield Cemetery, the Kellogg Historical Society or to the Jacob Krumm Nature Preserve and sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home, P.O. Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.

Iona was born on Dec. 22, 1925, near Newburg to Philip and Lila Belle Cooper Krumm. She attended rural school and graduated from Newburg High School with the Class of 1943.

In 1943, she married Kenneth Benson and they had one daughter. The couple lived in Kellogg and she operated a beauty shop. Kenneth died during World War II and she later married Gerald E. Edwards in

Marshalltown. Iona and Gerald were the parents of three sons. The family lived in Kellogg and later moved to Riverside, Calif. Gerald was in the grocery business and Iona was a homemaker and mother. They retired in 1984 and returned to Iowa, where they settled at Rock Creek Lake near Kellogg. In 1996, they moved to Seeland Park in Grinnell.

Iona enjoyed decorating her home, tending to her flower garden and attending family reunions. She loved the seasons in Iowa and studying history.

Survivors include her daughter, Peggy Schafer of Mesa, Ariz.; three sons, Craig Edwards of Kearns, Utah, Grant Edwards and Scott Edwards, both of Quincy, Calif.; nine grandchildren; 18 great grandchildren; one brother, Fred Krumm of Cheyenne, Wyo.; and two sisters, Audrey Halverson of Marshalltown, and Jean Nolin of Louisa, Va.

She was preceded in death by both of her husbands; her parents; and one brother, Floyd Krumm.

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A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 20, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with interment at the Westfield Cemetery near Grinnell.

Friends may call at the funeral home beginning 12 noon on Wednesday and the family will be present at the funeral home for 4 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday.

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