Jo McNurlen 4-8-2013

Jo McNurlen, 65, of Grinnell, died Saturday, April 6, 2013, at her home.

A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 10, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with burial at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Friends may call at the funeral home beginning at 12 noon Tuesday and the family will be present from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday.

Jo McNurlen 4-11-2013



Jo McNurlen, 65, of Grinnell, died Saturday, April 6, 2013, at her home.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, April 10, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with the Rev. Keith Morrison, chaplain of Grinnell Regional Hospice, officiating. Casket bearers were Bryan Fank, Andrew Walter, Jacob Schmitz, Ryan Gersdorf, Brad Nelson, Russ Landuyt, Dave Crawford and Brian Oliver. Interment was at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

heMemorialsmay be directed to the Jo McNurlen Memorial Fund.

Jo was born June 29, 1947, in Grinnell, to Myles and Beulah Slaven Olson.

She was raised in Grinnell and attended Grinnell schools.

On Dec. 3, 1963, she was united in marriage with Dennis McNurlen in Montezuma. The couple lived in Grinnell and were married for 49 years. She was a homemaker and mother of six children as well as an employee of Friendship Manor, the Mayflower Community and the Eagles Club. For the past 20 years she was employed at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Jo was a member of the Grinnell Eagles Club Auxiliary, the Red Hat Lady Bug Society and the State of Iowa Board of Physical and Occupational Therapy Examiners. She enjoyed collecting angels, traveling to see grottos, needle work and spending time with her family. She loved making paper dolls and then playing with these dolls with her sisters and grandchildren.

Survivors include her husband, Dennis McNurlen of Grinnell; four daughters, Kelli Walter of Grinnell, Terri Bogunia of Kettering, Ohio, Bobbi McNurlen of Cedar Rapids, and Billi Keller of Marshalltown; two sons, James McNurlen and Jeff McNurlen, both of Grinnell; six grandchildren; one great granddaughter; and three sisters, Kay Jack of Ankeny, Joyce Bryan of Oskaloosa and Judy Jones of Pensacola, Fla

She was preceded in death by her parents and one granddaughter.