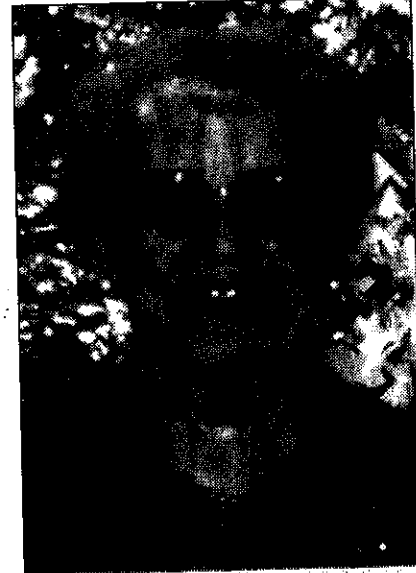


Alice I. Renaud

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Alice I. Renaud, age 95, of Grinnell, died on Saturday, November 2, 2013, at the Mayflower Community Health Care Center in Grinnell.

A celebration of her life will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, November 6, 2013, at the United Church of Christ - Congregational in Grinnell. Pallbearers are her grandchildren: Jennifer Boyle, Katie Holets, Emily Lanzer, Laura Cornstock, Beth Stuecher, Justin Wells, Devin Wells, and Sean Wells. Honorary bearers are Delmar Sharp, Charles Carnahan, and Lee Hauser. Interment will be in Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.



Visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday at the Smith Funeral Home and the family will be present to greet friends from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tuesday evening.

Memorials may be designated to the United Church of Christ - Congregational or to the Mayflower Community Human Needs Fund, mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at www.smithfh.com.

Alice Ione (Piper) Renaud was born on August 17, 1918, near Dodge Center, Minnesota, to Alva Arthur Piper and Mabel Ella (Dawson) Piper. The family moved from Minnesota to LeGrand, Iowa, and later to Albion, Iowa, where they farmed. She graduated from Albion High School in 1935, and continued her education at Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls, Iowa, where she graduated with the class of 1938. Following her education, she taught at Bangor, Iowa, and in the Marshalltown, Iowa, school district.

On June 8, 1941, she was united in marriage with Donald Johnson Renaud at the United Methodist Church in Albion. In 1942, Donald was drafted into United States Army and the couple lived in Oklahoma, California, and Nebraska while he was in the service. In 1946, following his honorable discharge from active duty, they moved to the Renaud family farm east of Newburg, Iowa. They operated a grain and livestock operation there until they moved to Grinnell in 1979. In 1994, they moved to the Mayflower Community.

Alice was very active in local, state and national activities of the United Church of Christ - Congregational. She was a board member of the United Nations Association, DAR, Grinnell 2000, Mayflower Community, Dollars for Scholars, Church Women United, Literary and Historical Society, and Grinnell Community Day Care Center. She was a 4-H Leader for many years. She was a member of Chapter JB PEO, Phi Rho Lambda, Beta Sigma Phi, and the Newburg Progress Club. She held a special love for music, and was a longtime pianist and organist at the Newburg United Church of Christ and many other organizations throughout the community.

Alice dedicated much of her life to improving the lives of others. She was the ultimate hostess, who organized and provided for family gatherings and social gatherings of friends. She enjoyed playing bridge, socializing with family and friends, cooking, baking, and crocheting blankets for each of her grandchildren.

Alice is survived by her son, Paul (Marcia) Renaud of Davenport; daughter, Joann Wells of Grinnell; 8 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; son-in-law, Dennis Liston of Columbus, Ohio; and her sister-in-law, Kay Piper of St. Louis, Missouri.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Donald Renaud in 2007; her daughter, Janet Liston in 2010; granddaughter, Michelle Renaud; and siblings, Ruth Smith and Ralph Piper.