

Terry Bowman



Terry Bowman, 83, of Grinnell died Monday, Nov. 21, at English Valley Care Center in North English, after injuries received in a fall at her home.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Nov. 26, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell, with the Rev. Len Eberhart and Deacon Diane Eberhart of the Grinnell United Methodist Church officiating.

Pallbearers were Wilma Brau, Jeane Fisher, Jim, John and Robert Leer, David and Richard Maxwell, and Ellen Zimmerman. Honorary bearers were Donna Beck, Linda Bell, Denny Durr, Janet Fitzgibbons, Sandy Hall, Julie Kreigel, Marsha Patterson, Lisa Roland and Rita Walker. Burial was at Golden Rod Cemetery in Deep River.

The daughter of James and Martha Hurd Maxwell, she was born May 19, 1922, in What Cheer. She was raised in the Guernsey area and was a 1939 graduate of Guernsey High School. She attended a beauty school and became a licensed cosmetologist in 1941. She was married to Roy J. Bowman on March 7, 1949, in Fountain, Colo. The couple farmed near Newton until 1958 and then moved to their current home near Grinnell.

The couple trained their own horses and their hobby soon became a business, although both also maintained other full-time jobs. Her career produced many talented riders, especially in equitation (both western and English) and she trained about every breed of horse brought to them. She showed a champion and reserve champion at the Iowa Horse Show Association and showed the Grand Champion mare at the 1977 American Royal Appaloosa Show.

She was an announcer at open shows and breed association shows, includ-

ing the Iowa Buckskin Association, the Iowa Quarter Horse Association and Midwest Appaloosa Association. She judged open and 4-H shows, rodeo queen contests in central and southern Iowa, and the Iowa State Fair Cowgirl Queen Contest. She retired from teaching and announcing in 2004, at the age of 82.

She held offices in the Newton and Grinnell Saddle Clubs and was secretary and news correspondent for the 4th District Iowa Quarter Horse Association. She was a member of the Iowa Dressage and Combined Training Club, the Appaloosa Horse Association, the Iowa Quarter Horse Association, the Arabian Horse Association, the Hackney Pony Association, the Draft Pony Association, and the Mid-Iowa Driving Association. She was a lifetime member of the American Quarter Horse Association and the Grinnell Saddle Club.

Survivors include one step-daughter, Linda Bell of Ankeny; one sister, Ellen Leer of North English; and several nieces, nephews, and foster children. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband in 1985, one brother, Robert Maxwell; and one sister, Hazel Brau.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Terry Bowman Memorial Fund.

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