

Irene C. Burk



Irene C. Burk, 82, of Grinnell, died on Sunday, June 5, at her home.

A funeral service was held Thursday, June 9, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Grinnell with the Rev. Stephen Jasch, pastor of the church, officiating. Organist was Mrs. Margaret Amo. Pallbearers were Gerald Arment, Gene Campbell, Ron Curry, Cliff Duncan, Kenneth Dutemple and Lyle Phipps. Honorary bearers were Kenneth Arthur, Alan Arthur, Larry Ashing and Larry Bryan. Burial was at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Memorials may be directed to Grinnell Regional Home Health or to St. John's Lutheran Church in Grinnell.

She was born on August 20, 1922, in Radcliffe to Henry and Sigrid Ekreim Brandeland. She was raised in Radcliffe and graduated with the Radcliffe High School Class of 1940. Following graduation she moved to Grinnell and worked at the Grinnell Shoe Company.

On June 29, 1942, she was married to Emil (Bill) Burk in Kirksville, Mo. The couple lived in Illinois, Texas, Colorado and Nevada before moving to Grinnell in 1946. She was a homemaker and assisted her husband with the operation of their business, Burk Towing.

She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Grinnell and the American Legion Auxiliary.

Survivors include her husband, Bill Burk of Grinnell; one daughter, Deborah Rodgers of Blanchard, Okla.; four sons, Bill Burk of West Hartford, Conn., Richard Burk of Casper, Wyo., Michael Burk of Mount Prospect, Ill., and Robert Burk of Omaha, Neb.; seven grandchildren; one brother, Henry Brandeland of Willis, Calif.; and two sisters, Clarice Meyer of Hampton and Garnett Hill of Harrisburg, N.C. She was preceded in death by her parents; and four brothers, Erling, Harold, Lloyd, and Howard Brandeland.

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