Vivian Graff

Vivian Graff, 81, of Grinnell died March 27, 2005, at Grandview Acres in Toledo after a short illness.

A funeral service was held March 31 at Kruse-Phillips Funeral Home-Harrison location, Tama, with Pastor Carol Myers officiating. Interment followed in Sheridan Cemetery, rural Grinnell. A memorial fund has been established.

She was born Jan. 2, 1924, in rural Toledo, the daughter of Kenneth and Beth Stevenson Muirhead. She attended rural schools in Crystal and Howard Townships, graduating from Toledo High school in 1941. She attended Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls, then taught in rural schools in Tama County for four years before working for Central Iowa Grain as a bookkeeper. She was united in marriage with Lester Graff on Sept. 10, 1947, in the Toledo Methodist Church. They farmed in Sheridan Township in Poweshiek County. She was a bookkeeper for Standard Oil dealers in Tama, retiring in 1988.

She was a member of of the Sheridan United Methodist Church where she taught Sunday school, directed the choir, was an MYF counselor and president of United Methodist Women. She also was a member of the Tama-Toledo Eagles Auxiliary and the Ladies Get-Together Club.

She is survived by her husband Lester of Grinnell; two sons Kenneth Graff of Malcom and Dale Graff of Grinnell; one daughter Sandra Meek of Toledo; seven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; one grandson and two great grandsons.