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A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, June 16, at the Heart of Worship Church near Lynnville. Interment will be at the Woodland Cemetery

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near Lynnville.

Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell beginning 1 p.m. on Wednesday and the family will be present at the funeral home from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday.

Memorials may be directed to St. Francis Manor in Grinnell.

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Casket bearers were Tom Burk, Kevin Davis, Donny James, Tim James, Mark James, Dennis James and Doug James. Interment was at Woodland Cemetery near Lynnville.

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Ramona was born Jan. 19, 1932, in Marysville, Iowa, to Cedric and Lucille Wallace Davis. She attended grade school in Marysville and graduated from Lovilla High School. Following high school, she attended a business college in Des Moines.

On Dec. 27, 1953, she married Russell James in Knoxville and they had one son. She was a homemaker and worked as a beautician for Flossie Beauty Salon.

Ramona was a long-time member of the Heart of Worship Church near Lynnville, and served the church in various ways during her Christian life. Her hobbies included golfing, quilting and gardening.

Survivors include her husband of 62 years, Russell James of Grinnell; one son, David James of Grinnell; one sister, Emma Lou Burk of Marysville; one brother, Howard Davis of Knoxville; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, David Davis.