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Following the death of her husband Paul in 1963, she was married to Lawrence Madill on September 3, 1971, at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa. They continued to make their home in Grinnell. Lawrence passed away in 1980 and she later moved to Seeland Park in Grinnell in 1990.

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