Virginia S. Harrod



Virginia Stanley Harrod, 84, of Grinnell died Monday, April 10, 2006, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, April 15, at 10:30 a.m. at Smith Funeral Home with Cheri Doane of Pella officiating. Music will be provided by Kathy McCune, pianist, and Delmar and Norma Sharp, vocalists. Casket bearers will be her great nephews, Daryl, Leon and Roger Beck, David Cooper and Kevin and Lenny Smith. Interment will be in Our Silent City Cemetery near Kellogg. Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home beginning at 12 noon Friday with family members present from 6 to 8 p.m. Memorials may be made to the Kellogg Historical Society or to the Newburg Congregational Church.

She was born Oct. 3, 1921, in Newburg to Ray and Charlotte (Lottie) Reynolds Smith. She was raised in the Newburg area and graduated from Newburg High School. She also attended AIB College of Business in Des Moines and worked for the Meredith Corporation following her graduation. She was married on Nov. 29, 1941, to Laurence Stanley in Kirksville, Mo., and they farmed in the Newburg, Kellogg and Gilman areas prior to retiring. Following the death of her husband, she was married to Robert Harrod of Blair, Okla., and they divided their time between Iowa, Oklahoma and San Benito, Texas. She moved to Grinnell in 1998.

She enjoyed volunteering for the Newburg Congregational Church Ladies And as well as quilting, dancing, raising flowers and her pet poodles.

She is survived by one daughter Charlotte VanderWerff of Kellogg; two sons, Lyle (Butch) Stanley of Houston, Texas, and Dennis Stanley of Seattle, Wash.; seven grand children; six great grandchildren and one sister Betty Cooper of Grinnell. She was preceded in death by her parents, both her husbands, and one brother Luverne Smith.

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Services are pending at Smith Funeral Home.