GH-R 8-1-Mary Louise Crum 2019



Mary Louise Crum, 92, of Grinnell and formerly of Kellogg, died on Friday, July 26, 2019, at the Grinnell Health Care Center.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 3, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell. Interment will be at Our Silent City Cemetery in Kellogg. A luncheon will follow at the Kellogg American Legion.

Visitation will be held prior to the service beginning at 11 a.m. on Saturday at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell.

Memorials may be designated to the Kellogg American Legion or to the Kellogg Christian Church, mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with her family online at www.smithfh.com.

Mary Louise Thorpe was born on Dec. 19, 1926, in Kellogg, Iowa, to Murlyn and Elsie Laskewitz Thorpe. She graduated from Kellogg High School in 1944 and attended Simpson College in Indianola, where she earned a teaching degree.

Mary was united in marriage with Harold Bullock in June of 1946 and they had one son. They later divorced. She married Larry Crum on Oct. 28, 1955, and they had three children. She taught in Jasper County rural schools for seven years before moving to Lawrence, Kan., in 1956, where Mary owned and operated a nursing home for 13 years. After selling the nursing home, she owned and operated a ceramics business there. Mary and Larry moved back to the family farmhouse where she was born outside of Kellogg in 1973. The couple divorced in 1973. She owned and operated a café in Kellogg until she retired.

Mary was a member of the Boy Scouts of America and served on their district committee, the Kellogg Christian Church, Kellogg City Council, Kellogg Garden Club, and the Kellogg Legion Auxiliary. She liked to travel and took trips to China, Alaska, Nova Scotia, Pakistan, and all throughout the United States. She was an avid gardener and spent her free time reading, and later in life, cross-stitching.

She is survived by her children: George Crum of LeGrand, Laura Hanawalt of Newton, and John Crum of Overland Park, Kan.; seven grandchildren; and eight great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Ken Thorpe; and son, Richard Bullock on July 24, 2019. Richard Lee Bullock, 70, of Kel-ygg died on July 24, 2019, at Skiff

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