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Erdythe White 3-30-2020



Eradythe White, age 92, of Grinnell, died on Thursday, March 26, 2020, at St. Francis Manor in Grinnell.

A private family graveside service will be held at the Lower Blue Point Cemetery south of Grinnell with the Rev. John Epperson officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be designated to the Hammond Center for Assisted Living or to UnityPoint Grinnell Regional Hospice and mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with Erdythe's family online at www.smithfh.com.

Eradythe Irene was born the daughter of Charles Edward Earp and Bertha Elmira Briggs on August 17, 1927, in Kilduff, Iowa. She was raised near Kilduff and graduated from Newton High School with the class of 1946.

On August 18, 1946, Erdythe was united in marriage to Victor White at the United Methodist Church in Kilduff. The couple raised their family in Grinnell and Erdythe was longtime cook in the Grinnell-Newburg Community School District. She had also worked at Michael's restaurant in Grinnell.

Eradythe dearly loved her family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She enjoyed tending to her flower and vegetable garden, reading, sewing, cross-stitching, crocheting, and visiting with neighbors and friends. She will be remembered for her kindness, for being an excellent cook, for the strong love of her family, and as someone who never knew a stranger.

Eradythe is survived by her four children, Rita (Waldo) Walker of Grinnell, Kyle (Jean) White of Sioux Falls, S.D., Victoria (Doug) Hoffstetter of Searsboro, and Paul (Vickie) White of Kellogg; five grandchildren, Sara (John) Thompson of Grinnell, Brad (Steph) White of Urbandale, Lance White of Iowa, Matthew White of Sioux Falls, S.D., and Andrew White of Sioux Falls, S.D.; five great grandchildren; and her siblings, Thomas Earp of Pella and Phyllis Mitchell of Pulaski, Tenn.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Victor White on February 25, 2019; two children in infancy, Randall in 1950 and James in 1951; and her sisters, Nadine Kling and Verda Knopf, and an infant brother, Warren Lowell Earp.