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Pallbearers were Marvin Doty, Craig Johnstone, Greg Kaisand, Jerry Keenan and Keith and Scott Osland.

The daughter of Marion and Esther Jantzen Osland, she was born Jan. 1, 1943, at Grinnell, and was raised in the Chester Township area, north of Grinnell. She attended rural school in Chester Township and later public school in Gilman. She was

a 1961 graduate of Grinnell High School. On Aug. 12, 1966, she was married to Melvin York, at the Chester Church, rural Poweshiek County. The couple made their home in Grinnell. She began her career in the Grinnell College Treasurer's office in 1964 as payroll coordinator. She retired 42 years later in 2006.

Survivors include her husband, Melvin, of Grinnell; three children, Brian York, Kellie (and Brett) McGriff and Lisa (and Chris) Coffman, all of Grinnell; one sister, Thelma Taylor of Seattle, Wash.; and six grandchildren, Zachary and Cole McGriff, Denton York, and Drew, Owen and Brady Coffman, all of Grinnell.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers, Wilbur, Norman and Clifford Osland; and one sister, Wilma Osland.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Barbara J. York Memorial Fund.

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