

Roma J. Carroll

Roma J. Carroll, 74, of Grinnell died Sunday, July 13, 2008, at Friendship Manor.

A funeral service will be held Friday, July 18, at 10:30 a.m. at Smith Funeral Home with the



Rev. Raymond Lott officiating. Pianist will be Barbara Chitwood. Casket bearers will be Jeff McCartney, Jim Ott, Morris Fricke, Todd Schmidt and Mark and Kevin Matteson. Interment will be in Hazelwood Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to PALS, PO Box 123, Grinnell IA 50112. Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home beginning at 1 p.m. Thursday with family members present from 6 to 8 p.m.

She was born March 16, 1934, in Grinnell, the daughter of Virgil and Blanch Smith Matteson. She was raised in Grinnell where she attended school. She was married in August 1952 to Marvin Dayton. She worked as a nurses' aide and a cook at the former St. Francis Hospital and later for the former Lone Elm Nursing Home in Grinnell. She also worked as a housekeeper at Four Winds Motel and St. Francis Manor.

On Nov. 22, 1969, she was united in marriage with Claude J. Carroll in Newton. They made their home on Pearl Street in Grinnell. She enjoyed maintaining her home, caring for her dogs and animals and cooking and baking pies.

She is survived by one son Clark Dayton of Pasadena, Md.; two daughters, Kim Dayton of Marshalltown and Lori Beason of Oskaloosa; three grandchildren; three great grandchildren, and one sister, Linda Bennington of Grinnell. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Claude; two brothers, Terry and Burt Matteson and one sister Carol Henning.

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