

## Bessie L. Cope

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Bessie L. Cope, 84, of 1110 Jasper Ave., Kellogg, died Monday, Jan. 18, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Kellogg United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Morris Hurd officiating. Organist will be Helen Dettman, and casket bearers will be Kevin, Todd, Scott, Brad, Corey and Dustin Cope and Chad Jackson. Burial will be in Our Silent City Cemetery, Kellogg, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

The family will be present at the funeral home from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday.

She was the daughter of Benjamin and Orpha Binegar Thompson and was born Nov. 6, 1914, near Grinnell. She was a graduate of Searsboro High School.

She was married to Lester W. Cope Sept. 18, 1934, in Lynnville. They farmed in various areas of central Iowa until moving to a farm near Kellogg in 1953.

Mrs. Cope worked in the food service of the Kellogg school system from 1974 to 1979. She and her husband also worked as residential counselors at the YMCA Boys Home in Johnston.

She was a member of the Kellogg United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women. She was also a member of the Iowa Farm Bureau, the Barrett Homemakers and the Leon 4-H Club.

Surviving are two sons, Richard of Omaha, Neb., and Larry of Kellogg; 10 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; one son, Roger; one daughter, Debra I. Bradley; one sister, Debra I. Bradley; one grandson; and one sister, Doris Hilligas.