

Leona S. Dayton

Leona S. Dayton, 84, a long-time resident of Malcom, died Wednesday, Aug. 10, at St. Francis Manor.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Dorie Hansen of the Malcom United Methodist Church officiating. Organist was Margaret Wheeler, and pallbearers were Bill Dayton, David Dayton, David Reedy, Greg Reedy, Ronald Reedy and Steven Wiebold.

Burial was in Ivy Hill Cemetery, Malcom.

The daughter of Louis and Anna Schweckel Stensrud, she was born March 9, 1910, in Norway, Wis. She moved with her family to Malcom and attended schools in the Deep River district.

She was married to Earl LeRoy Reedy June 9, 1928, and they farmed near Malcom, later moving to Malcom. He died in 1938. She was married to Ray Dayton Aug. 11, 1950, in Harrison, Ark., and they continued to live in Malcom.

Mrs. Dayton began working for Malcom Telephone Co. in 1945. After the company was purchased by GTE in the early 1960s, she worked for Malcom Locker until her retirement in 1972.

Surviving are her husband; her children, Earl Reedy of Grinnell and Carmen Wiebold of Grinnell; her stepchildren, Marvin and Wayne Dayton, both of Grinnell, Eugene Dayton of Searsboro, Lucille Innis of Kellerton and Lawrence Dayton of Malcom; eight grandchildren; 22 step-grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her

parents; her first husband; two children, Norman and Patricia Reedy; one grandson and one step-grandson.

Memorial contributions in her name may be made to the Malcom Fire Department.

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She was married to Earl LeRoy Reedy June 9, 1928, and the couple farmed near Malcom and later moved to Malcom. He died in 1938. She married Ray Dayton Aug. 11, 1950, in Harrison, Ark. and they continued making their home in Malcom. She had been a resident of St. Francis Manor in Grinnell since 1990.

In 1945 she began working for the Malcom Telephone Company until the company was bought by G.T.E. in the early 1960's. She then worked for the Malcom Locker and retired in 1972.

Leona held a great love for her family and was very patient and caring for others. She was a beautiful housekeeper and she enjoyed watching television and playing cards.

She is survived by her husband, Ray of Malcom; her children and their spouses, Earl LaVern and Barbara Reedy of Grinnell and Carmen and Melvin Wiebold of Grinnell; her daughter-in-law, Veda Reedy of Grinnell; her step-children, Marvin Dayton and Wayne Dayton, both of Grinnell, Eugene Dayton of Searsboro, Lucille Innis of Kellerton, and Lawrence Dayton of Malcom; Eight grandchildren and 22 step-grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren.

Leona died Aug. 10, at St. Francis Manor, at the age of 84. She was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband; two children, Norman Reedy and Patricia Reedy; a grandson; and a step-grandson.

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