

# Hazel F. Gross

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On Aug. 27, 1999, Hazel F. Gross, 81, of Grinnell died.

Services were Aug. 31 at Trinity Lutheran Church near Malcom with the Rev. Herb Knudten, pastor of the church, officiating.

Organist was Teresa Ziegenmeyer. Casket bearers were Jennifer Barr, Jeff Wichman, Steve Richman, David Richman, Ron Swarthout, Travis Swarthout, Heather Gross, Hayley Gross, Laurel Ely and Sharm Morgan. Burial was in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery.

Mrs. Gross was born Nov. 14, 1917 in Montezuma to Roy and Elizabeth Sproul Van Cleave. She was raised on the family farm and attended Montezuma schools.

On Nov. 15, 1933, she married Raymond Mithelman at Trinity Lutheran Church. The couple farmed near Malcom and were the parents of three daughters, Karen, Connie and Donna. Mr. Mithelman died in 1954. His widow

moved to Grinnell and worked as a receptionist for Lang's Dairy.

She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church and was involved with the women's organization of the church. She was also a member of the Eagle's Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters, Sylvia Stevens and Irene Thompson and two brothers, Harold and Arthur Van Cleave.

Survivors are her husband, Claire of Grinnell; three daughters, Karen Wichman of Fishers, Ind.; Connie Richman of Urbandale and Donna Swarthout of Newton; one son, Phillip Gross of Malcom; eight grandchildren and eight great grandchildren, one sister, Esther Loftin of Lakeland, Fla. and two brothers, Robert Van Cleave of Amana and Carl Van Cleave of Anna Maria, Fla.

Memorials may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church or to Grinnell Regional Hospice.

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Mrs. Gross was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, the church's women's organization and the Eagles Auxiliary.

Surviving are her husband; three daughters, Karen Wichman of Fishers, Ind.; Connie Richman of Urbandale and Donna Swarthout of Newton; one son, Phillip of Malcom; eight grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one sister, Esther Loftin of Lakeland, Fla., and two brothers, Robert Van Cleave of Amana and Carl Van Cleave of Anna Maria, Fla.

Her parents; two sisters, Sylvia Stevens and Irene Thompson; and two brothers, Harold and Arthur Van Cleave, preceded her in death.

Memorials may be directed to her church or to Grinnell Regional Hospice.

## Hazel Gross



Hazel F. Gross, 81, of 223 Fourth Ave. West, Grinnell, died of cancer Friday, Aug. 27, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Trinity Lutheran Church near Malcom, with the Rev. Herb Knudten officiating. Organist will be Teresa Ziegenmeyer. Casket bearers will be Jennifer Barr, Jeff Wichman, Steve Richman, David Richman, Ron Swarthout, Travis Swarthout, Heather Gross, Hayley Gross, Laurel Ely and Sharm Morgan.

Burial will be in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home Monday. The family will be present from 6 to 8 p.m.

She was born Nov. 14, 1917, in Montezuma and was the daughter of Roy and Elizabeth Sproul Van Cleave. She was raised on the family farm and attended Montezuma schools.

On Nov. 15, 1933, she was married to Raymond Mithelman. The couple farmed near Malcom. They were the parents of three daughters.

Mr. Mithelman died in 1954, and she moved to Grinnell and worked as a receptionist for Lang's Dairy.

On Sept. 14, 1959, she was married to Claire Gross in Iowa City. They had one son. The couple farmed north of Malcom, and she worked as a dietitian at St. Francis Hospital, Grinnell General Hospital and Friendship Manor.

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