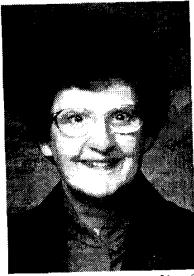
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"Jean" Johnston, 56, of Grinnell died of Lou Gehrig's disease Wednesday, March 27, at her

Funeral services were held Friday at the Grinnell Christian Church, with the Rev. John Epperson officiating. Pianist was Kathleen Mc-Cune, and soloist was Rhonda Minner. Pallbearers were Mike, Kevin and Jeff Arment; Randy, David and Jeff Hall; and Doug Johnston. <u>Burial was at Sully</u> Cemetery with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

The daughter of Harley and Margaret Septer Walker, she was born Aug. 29, 1945, in Oskaloosa. She was raised in Pershing and Searsboro and attended Attica, Searsboro and Lynnville-Sully schools. She later moved to Newton and was a 1963 graduate of Newton high School.

She was married to Ronald Johnston Nov. 20, 1966, in Grinnell. They lived in Grinnell where she was employed at Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Co. for several years. She began her career with First Federal Savings Bank in 1980 and was employed as a bank teller until her retirement Jan. 11 of this year.

Surviving are her husband; two children, Melissa Owens of Grinnell and Kurtis Johnston of Eldridge; one stepdaughter, Rhonda Dvorak of Peoria, Ariz.; her adoptive father, Marvin Dieleman of Grinnell; her twin sister, Jane Simbro of Grinnell; one brother, Gary Jess Walker of Des Moines, and one step-grand-

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