Barbara Lavender (GCRNON)

Barbara Lavender, 69, of Marshalltown, formerly of Gilman, died Tuesday, Dec. 1, at her home

Following cremation at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home and Crematory, graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 7, at Rose Hill Memorial Gardens in Marshalltown, with the Rev. Bobby Shomo of Center Street Baptist Church officiating.

She was the daughter of Laton "Bud" and Mabel R. Welt Miltenberger and was born May 4, 1929, in Victor. She was a 1947 graduate of Marshalltown High School and a 1949 graduate of Marshalltown Junior College. She later received her teaching certificate from the University of Northern Iowa.

She taught in Gilman and in Dixon, Mo., until moving back to Marshalltown in 1952. She was a bookkeeper at Western Grocery in Marshalltown for one year, then became a homemaker. She was a member of the Central Christian Church and the National Association of Retired Veteran Railroad Employees Unit 801.

Surviving are her husband, Gordon Lavender of Marshalltown; one daughter, Tami McGehee of Marshalltown; two sons, Chris of State Center and Kevin of Redmond, Ore.; 11 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Dennis; six sisters; and two brothers.

A memorial fund has been established with Community Nursing Service or Iowa River Hospice.