Mrs. Martens rites today

Mildred L. Martens, 72, of 929 Chatterton Ave., Grinnell, died of cancer Thursday morning, April 12, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Memorial services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. today at the Grinnell United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Douglas P. Harding, associate pastor of the church, and the Rev. Gerald Brown, paster of the Trinity Lutheran Church, officiating. Following cremation, a private family burial service will be held at Hazelwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Friends may call the Smith Funeral Home for additional information.

The daughter of George W. And Myrtle Kepcke Williams. she was born Dec. 27, 1911, in Grinnell. She attended Grinnell schools, graduating from Grinnell High School.

On May 14, 1932, she was married to Alfred J. Martens in Grinnell. The couple lived in Grinnell. She was a member of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, the Eastern Star, the Pythian Sisters, the Rebekah Lodge, the Eagles Auxiliary, and the Grandmothers Club. She was also an active volunteer for the Grinnell Congregate Meals.

Survivors include her husband, Alfred; her children, Rodeny of East Moline, Ill., Harriett Wisecarver of rural Malcom and Carol Peters of rural Brooklyn; seven grandchildren; one brother. Donald Williams of Grinnell; and one sister, Dorothy Arney of Marshalltown.

She was preceded in death by her parents.