

Bessie Ann Morse

Bessie Ann Morse, 79, of Grinnell died Thursday, April 5, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. James Anderson of the Church of Victory, Des Moines, officiating. Organist was Wilma Summy. Pallbearers were Ben and David Haines and Brandon, Dennis, Johnnie and Donald Whannel. Honorary bearers were Ike Campbell and Rick Whannel.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

The daughter of Thomas and Edna Cuthbertson Whannel, she was born Nov. 24, 1921, in Garwin. She was raised in Traer and later moved to Grinnell where she graduated from Grinnell High School in 1940. She received her teaching certificate from the University of Iowa and taught for four years in Belle Plaine.

She was married to Murl Haines July 4, 1953, in Phillipsburg, Mo., and they lived in Grinnell. Mr. Haines died in 1960.

She was married to Ivan Morse Nov. 20, 1965, in Nashua. She was employed at Grinnell Hatchery, Skell Diner and, later, the Dinner Bell in Malcom. She retired in 1996.

Surviving are two children, Gary Haines of Grinnell and Dwain Haines of Oceanside, Calif.; one brother, Richard Whannel of Newton; and five grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, both husbands and her twin brother, Johnnie Whannel.

A Bessie Ann Morse Memorial Fund has been established.

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