

Ms Lydia Margaret Reida

Funeral services were held Saturday morning, Sept. 18, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell for Lydia Margaret Reida, 78, of Grinnell, who died Wednesday, Sept. 15, 1999, at St. Francis Manor in Grinnell.

The Rev. Del Dawes, pastor of the United Methodist Church of Grinnell, officiated. Music was by organist Kathy O'Connor and vocalist Frank Shults, providing the selections "In the Garden," "How Great Thou Art," "Amazing Grace" and "On Eagles' Wings."

Casket bearers were Jerry Hagen, Eric Kingery, Troy Kingery, Randy Lidtka, Jack Marcum, Richard Purcell and Dennis Reida. Honorary bearers were Robert Dimit, Neil Johnson, Calvin Kingery, Gene Martinson, Walter Rixen, Paul Stoppels, Jim Van Draska and Jerry Youngbeck. Interment was in Ivy Hill Cemetery at Malcom.

Lydia was born on Sept. 3, 1921, in Iowa City. The family lived on a farm near Brooklyn, and she graduated from Brooklyn High School with the class of 1938. She received her BA degree from Drake University in 1953 and an MA degree from Northern Colorado University in 1959.

Lydia dedicated her life to educating children. She began teaching in rural schools in Poweshiek County and in 1952, she taught in the math and science departments in the Grinnell Junior High. She retired from teaching in 1988.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church in Grinnell, The Grinnell and Iowa Education Associations, and the Iowa Retired Teacher's Association. She was also a member of Delta Kappa Gamma and served on the Human Rights Commission, the Mental Health Board and the Uncle Sam's Club Board.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and two brothers, Truman and Amos Reida, and a foster brother, Morris Seye.

Three sisters-in-law, Bernice Reida of Lake View, and Gerna Reida and Hilda Seye of Brooklyn, and several nieces and nephews, and grandnieces and nephews survive her.

Memorials may be directed to the Lydia Reida Scholarship Fund.

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