Mayme B. Large



Mayme B. Large, 85, of Grinnell died after a lengthy illness Wednesday, Dec. 29, at Friendship Manor.

A funeral service will be held Friday, Dec. 31, at 1:30 p.m. at Smith Funeral Home with Dan Van Woert, interim pastor of Grinnell Assembly of God, officiating. Organist will be Kathleen McCune. Casket bearers will be Roger, Ron and Steve Belcher and Curt, David and Duane Phipps. Interment will be in Westfield Cemetery, rural Grinnell. Friends may call at the funeral home from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday. Memorials may be made to Stewart Library.

She was born March 7, 1919, in Appanoose County, the daughter of John and Elizabeth King Large. She attended rural school near Sedan and during the depression attended the National Youth Association Center in Centerville to become a welder. She moved to Seattle, Wash., where she worked in a shipyard. During World War II she worked for the Boeing Company building airplanes. Following the war, she returned to Grinnell to care for her ailing parents and worked at Midwest Manufacturing Company in Kellogg and later for the Maytag Company in Newton. She then worked as an electrician for the Honeywell Corporation in San Diego, Calif., retiring in 1989 when she returned to Grinnell. She has resided at Friendship Manor since 2000.

She is survived by nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Buddy Large and William Emperley, and six sisters, Eva Smith, Nellie Gardner, Maggie Alter, Nina Johnson, Sophia Large and Amy Large.