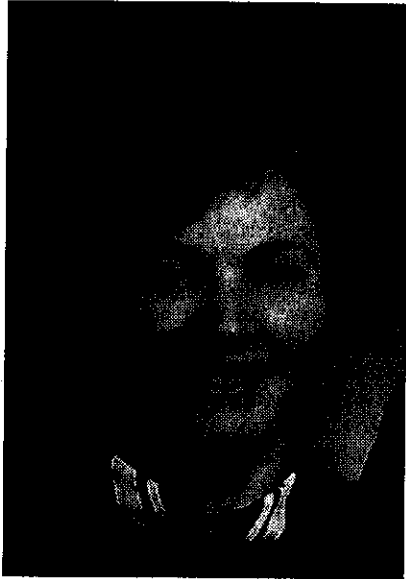


Ruth Fleener 614-R
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Funeral services were scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Thursday, May 30, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Pastor Todd Follette, Grinnell First Friends Church, officiating. Soloist was Pastor Keith Briggs. Pallbearers were Gary, Sandy and Denny Durr, Jerry Jantzen, David and Paul Parmley and Janet Parmley Dimit. Honorary bearers were Ron Silhonek, Ralph Fleener, Ron Schooley, George Christinson, Robert Parmley, Art Fleener, Paul Christinson and Dennis Fleener. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Memorial contributions may be directed to PALS (Poweshiek Animal League Shelter), P.O. Box 123, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.

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On Feb. 22, 1947, she was united in marriage with Harold Lloyd Fleener, in Grinnell. They established

a livestock and grain operation at her parents' farm where she grew up.

The couple raised cattle but Ruth's specialty was sheep with at least 100 ewes in her flock plus all the lambs. For over 20 years she maintained the Rock Creek Cemetery, mowing and trimming.

Ruth played several musical instruments, and was a bowler and an excellent cook. She was a member of the Victor Grange for 60 years, a member of the First Friends Church, the VFW Ladies Auxiliary, and the Jasper County Sheep Producers Association.

She is survived by her sister, Marlene Parmley of Grinnell. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1998, her mother in 1986 and her father in 2000.

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Visitation will be held from 2 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 29, at the funeral home with Marlene present to greet friends from 5 to 7 p.m.

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