

Coughenour, Ruth M. Lund Britten d. 10-10-2007

Ruth Marie Coughenour

MARCH 11, 1924-OCT. 10, 2007

Ruth Marie Coughenour, 83, went to be with the Lord Wednesday, Oct. 10, at Mary Greeley Medical Center in Ames. Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 15, at Grand Avenue Baptist Church, 612 24th St., in Ames.

Ruth Marie Coughenour was born March 11, 1924, in Lincoln, Neb., to John Archie (J.A.) Lund and Hazel Adams Lund. She was raised in rural Nebraska and moved with her parents to central Iowa during her high school years. She graduated from Collins High School in 1941 and married Harold M. Britten in 1943.

She was a farm wife, homemaker and full-time mother for many years and later was employed at Graphic Forms, Donnelly Corporation and Harrison's Haven in Nevada. She moved to Ames in 1974 and worked 10 years as a home health care provider. She married Gerald D. Coughenour June 4, 1982, and they made their home in Ames. She was an active member of Grand Avenue Baptist Church and devoted many hours to her children and grandchildren. She and Gerald were active members of the Ames Moose Club for many years and were avid dancers.

She is survived by her husband, Gerald, of Ames; two sons and two daughters-in-law, Jerry and Leola Britten, of Zearing, and Alan Britten and Karen Combs, of McCallsburg; one daughter, Sharon Britten, of Fulton, Mo.; one daughter-in-law, Bonnie Britten, of Seattle, Wash.; one stepson and daughter-in-law, Brad and Karen Coughenour, of Athol, Idaho; 14 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, John Lund; her first husband, Harold Britten; and one son, Kent Britten.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 14, at Adams Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to Israel Family Hospice House in Ames.

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