Evelyn C. Merrill, 83

Mrs. Evelyn C. Merrill, 83, Marshalltown, died early Saturday, Oct. 5, 2002 at the Villa Del Sol Care Center.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Oct. 9 at the First United Church of Christ with Pastor Carolyn Schunter officiating. Burial followed at Rose Hill Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be directed to her church.

She was born in Latimer, IA on July 5, 1919 he daughter of William and Matilda Plagge Holze. On Jan. 7, 1937 she was united in marriage to Richard S. Merrill, he preceded her in death in March of 1981.

Three children survive, Derald (Connie) Merrill of State Center; Darwin (Becky) Merrill of Marshalltown and Donna Loney also of Marshalltown.

Also surviving are seven grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Reared and educated in Latimer, she attended schools there. Following their married they lived in Latimer until 1952 when they moved to State Center, while living in State Center they owned and operated Merrill’s Cafe. In 1966 they moved to Marshalltown and she has made her home there since that time.

Mrs. Merrill was a member of the First United Church of Christ, Lydia Circle of the church and for many years took care of the Alter in the church.