Dorothy E. Farmer, 91

Dorothy E. Waddle Farmer, 91, passed away on Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2003.

Her funeral service was Friday, Sept. 26, at Watts Funeral Home with Robert Waddle officiating. Watts Funeral Home of Montezuma was in charge of the arrangements. Internment was at Dunreath Cemetery in rural Monroe.

Casket bearers were Robert Waddle, Gerrit Renaud, Edward Cowman, Howard Potter, Richard Waddle and Randall Waddle.

Honorary casket bearers were Marvin and Nancy Renaud, Margo Waddle and Judith Cowman.

Dorothy was born on Jan. 19, 1912, the daughter of James and Emma E. (Templeton) Waddle, in Marion County near Monroe. Dorothy was united in marriage to Al Baker on Nov. 23, 1935, until his death in 1955. On Aug. 2, 1958, she was united in marriage to Millard Farmer until his death in 1965. Dorothy graduated from Monroe High School in 1929. She taught for five years in the county schools including Oak Ridge School near Monroe. Later, she worked in a grocery store in Bettendorf. Dorothy resided in the Ewart and Montezuma areas since 1958 and in Nov. of 1997, she moved from her home in Montezuma to the Montezuma Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and remained there until her death. She loved growing a variety of flowers, gardening, knitting and crocheting. She had a love for animals and was especially fond of cats. She accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her Savior and Lord at a young age.

Survivors include her nephews and nieces, Robert and Margo Waddle of Monroe, Judith and Edward Cowman of Freeport, Ill., and Nancy and Marvin Renaud of Grinnell along with a host of great nieces and nephews and their families.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, Al Baker and Millard Farmer, her brother, Earl Waddle, a sister who died in infancy and a niece, Jean Renaud.