Grace L. Johnson, 79

Grace Louise Johnson, 79, of Montezuma, passed away Sunday evening, Nov. 16, 2003, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Her graveside service was held Wednesday, Nov. 19, at the West Liberty Cemetery with the Rev. Justin Boeding officiating. Watts Funeral Home of Montezuma was in charge of the arrangements.

Casket bearers were Bill Taylor, Chuck Boeding, Jack Taylor, Gerold Taylor, Charlie Taylor, Earl Taylor and Nick Taylor.

Grace was born on Sept. 24, 1924, to Arch and Bertha Stanley near Sheridan. She married Melvin Johnson on Dec. 23, 1950. They spent most of their life on a farm northwest of Montezuma. Grace was employed at the Poweshiek County Care Facility caring for the elderly. On Oct. 22, 1972, Grace's husband, Melvin, passed away.

For the past several years, Grace had been a coordinator for Hawkeye Valley for the Senior Center. Grace really enjoyed helping people.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Viola Stanley and Vina Walker; and four brothers; Roy Stanley, Arthur Stanley, Everett Stanley, and Maude Stanley.

She is survived by many nieces, nephews and friends.

A memorial in her name has been established for American Diabetes.