Betty Gillaspie, 82

Betty Gillaspie, 82, of Montezuma, passed away Monday, Nov. 9, 2009, at the Montezuma Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Montezuma. Funeral services were held at 10 a.m., Friday, Nov. 13, at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home. Interment was held in the Golden Rod Cemetery in Deep River. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Montezuma Fire Department or the American Diabetes Association. Friends may send condolences or sign the online guest book at www.holland-coblefuneralhome.com. Holland-Coble Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Betty Mae Gillaspie, daughter of Otto and Wilma (Keller) Bissell was born on Aug. 8, 1927, in Deep River. She graduated from Deep River High School with the class of 1944. On June 6, 1946, Betty was united in marriage to Wayne Gillaspie in Deep River. Betty worked as a beautician and a telephone operator for several years. Later she worked for Sig Manufacturing. Betty loved her family. Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren held a special place in her heart. She enjoyed country shows, traveling, playing bingo, reading and time with friends.

Her memory is honored by her son, Danny (Sara) Gillaspie of Enid, Okla.; her daughter, Susan (Duane) Steinkraus of Waterloo; her three grandchildren, Lara (Jim) Helfrich, Emily (John) Buller and Charlie (Darlene) Gillaspie; her nine great-grandchildren, Timothy Jantzi, Garret Helfrich, Haven Helfrich, Allison Jantzi, Joshua Jantzi, Jessica Buller, Samuel Buller, Jacob Buller and Colton Gillaspie; and her sister-in-law, Sharon (William) Harriman of Cedar Rapids.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Wayne; and two sisters, Phyllis and Mary Jane.