Mary VanScoyoc, 79


The daughter of Hazel M. Rupp and Albert F. Park, was born Aug. 10, 1930, in Iowa City. Mary graduated from Belle Plaine High School and attended Kirkwood Community College. She worked as a waitress, and worked for the Department of Corrections. She was a member of the Legion Auxiliary.

Mary loved animals, especially wolves, gardening, her family, reading, and chocolate.

On Jan. 21, 1959, Mary was united in marriage to Donald VanScoyoc, in Ottumwa. She is survived by her husband, Donald. Also surviving are their children: daughter, Bette (Ron) Kratoska of Chelsea; sons, Albert VanScoyoc and Jim (Sue) VanScoyoc of Victor; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother Harry Park of Angleton, Texas.

Mary was preceded in death by her daughter, Virginia Papesh; her parents, Hazel and Albert Park; her brother, Robert Park; and her grandson, Matthew Papesh.

Funeral services for Mary Van Socoec were held at the Hrabak Funeral Home in Belle Plaine, Monday, March 15, at 10:30 a.m. Interment was in the Winslow Cemetery of rural Chelsea.