Dixie Sanders, 79

Dixie Sanders, 79, of Montezuma, died Saturday, Dec. 18, 2010, in Grinnell. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 23, at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home. Burial will be held privately at the Pleasant Township Cemetery in Ewart at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the family. Holland-Coble Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Dixie Elaine Sanders, daughter of Vernon and Eva (Filkins) Lundeen, was born on Dec. 13, 1931, in Des Moines. She was a 1949 graduate of Montezuma High School and attended AIB College of Business in Des Moines. Dixie was united in marriage to Robert Sanders in 1951, in Agency. She was a member of the Montezuma United Methodist Church, Legion Auxiliary as well as the Pythian Sisters. Dixie was an outstanding cook and she enjoyed crocheting, playing Nintendo and bingo.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Dixie is survived by her husband, Bob Sanders, of Montezuma; two sons, Vernon and Robert Sanders, both of Grinnell; two daughters, Nancy (Richard) Smith of Waterloo and Susan (Daniel) Cook of Montezuma; two sisters, Barbara Sutherland of Reed Springs, Mo., and June Fleming of Forsyth, Mo.; eight grandchildren, Renae (Chris) Hesse, Crystal Freeman, Carie Freeman, Daniel Cook, Rachelle (Ryan) Ham, Vernen John Sanders, Joseph Sanders and Nicole Sanders; and 15 great-grandchildren.

State parks open for winter

Iowa's state parks are open all winter.

Many state parks offer fishing, from northeast Iowa's trout streams to lakes across the state.

Iowa trout streams hold fish through the winter and since the streams consist of spring fed, 50 degree water, they rarely freeze.

Trout streams are in some of the most scenic areas in the state and offer a near solitary experience during the winter.