Joan McCombs, 76

Joan McCombs, 76, of Deep River, passed away Saturday, June 4, 2011, at her home in rural Deep River. Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 8, at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home. Interment was held in the Golden Rod Cemetery in Deep River. Friends may send condolences or sign the online guestbook at www.hollandcoblefuneralhome.com. Holland-Coble Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Patricia Ann (Joan) McCombs, daughter of Harold Wayne Townsend and Ethyl (Paulding) Townsend was born on Feb. 21, 1936, in Marion County. She was raised by her maternal aunt, Fay Paulding Stevenson, and her husband, Leonid Stevenson, of Deep River. Joan graduated from Deep River Millsburg High School and attended Central College at Pella for one year before she was united in marriage with Norman Van (Timer) McCombs on June 21, 1953. Joan, along with Timer, had been long-time members of AA and NA and mediated meetings at Powell Chemical Dependency Center at Iowa Lutheran Hospital in Des Moines for many years. Joan was a member of the Deep River Christian Church and Order of the Eastern Star.

Joan will be missed by her husband of 57 years, Norman "Timer" McCombs; and her brother and sister, Norman (Ruby) Townsend and Betty Lee Pinkley. Lovingly honoring her memory are her children and spouses, Steven and Rhonda McCombs, Petersburg, Ill., Marcy and Robert Van Voorhis, Montezuma, John McCombs, Montezuma, and Elizabeth and Steven Fleming, New Sharon. She was blessed to have eight grandchildren, Sara James Sherman, Tanner Van Roekel, Amanda (Shane) Roberts, Jeffrey Van Voorhis, Samantha McCombs, Michael Van Rheenen and Nicholas Fleming. A great-granddaughter, Madison Roberts, was a special joy.

Joan was preceded by her parents; and a grandson, Ryan McCombs. Joan had a kind, giving heart and provided comfort and shelter to many. She will be missed by her family and many friends.

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Visitation will begin after 12 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7, at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home with the family present from 5 to 7 p.m. Interment will be held in the Golden Rod Cemetery in Deep River.

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A complete obituary will be published in next week's edition of the Poweshiek County CR.

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