Mary Stevens, 71

Graveside services for Mary L. Stevens, 71 were held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 24, 2011 at Jackson Township Cemetery Lafayette Lodge 52 division at Montezuma.

Officiating was Pastor John DeHouf from the Community Church of Deep River.

The Lord called for his angel Mary L. Stevens to come home while she was peacefully napping in her home in Montezuma on Monday, June 20, 2011. Permitting only her beloved husband of 52 years, James F. Stevens and daughter, Tressa Snook to be at her bedside.

She was a long time Searshoroare resident through her childhood and most adulthood.

Mary was born in Sheridan Township on August 29, 1939, the daughter of Chester A. and Margaret B. (Graham) Figland formerly of Searshoro. Graduating from Searshoro High School in 1958. She was united in marriage to James F. Stevens in Des Moines February 7, 1960. They lived in Iowa until 1961 before moving to California and then returned to Iowa and her roots to raise her family in 1973 to the Lynnville-Sully area and most recently Montezuma.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one daughter, Rose Marie Emery on August 13, 2003 and one grandson, James A. Stevens on June 8, 2004, three brothers, Charles Thomas, Sheldon and Chester Figland, two sisters, Margaret A. Watt and Grace Joan Hoover.

Mary is survived by one daughter, Tressa A. Snook of Montezuma, her three children and grandchildren, Tabitha and Scott Kriegel and children, Blake and Alyssa of Searshoro, Tricia and daughter, Aubrie of Grinnell, and Tonja and Jerry Orozco and children Riley, Wyatt and Brynleigh of Lubbock, Tex. One son, James C. Stevens and Sandy of Guernsey. His son Thomas Stevens of Lynnville and children, Blake and Shane Stevens. One niece she helped raise like a daughter, Rosemarie Shepard and husband, James of Lynnville, children Carroyl Rose and Nicole of Grinnell. Grandchildren Mary Lynn Emery and David Emery with child Conner Michael, all of Newton. One sister, Betty S. Turner of Marshalltown and one brother David L. Figland and wife Portia of Oskaloosa. Many other relatives and friends.

Donations can be made to the Iowa Hospice of Poweshiek County.

She will be loved and missed dearly but we know she will always be the angel watching over her family from above.
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She is survived by her husband of 52 years James; one daughter, Tressa A. Snook of Montezuma, and one son, James C. Stevens of Guernsey; one sister, Betty S. Turner of Marshalltown; one brother, David L. Figland of Oskaloosa; and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and other relatives and friends.

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