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Memorials in Joyce's name may be directed to Hospice Compassus, 610 32nd Avenue S.W., Cedar Rapids, IA 52404.

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Joyce enjoyed raising flowers, needle work, solving crossword puzzles and singing church hymns. She especially loved life on the family farm and caring for the cats and farm animals.

Survivors include her nieces and nephews and their families.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her twin sister, Janyce Craven; and siblings, Helen Craven, Dorothy Quinn, Clarence W. Craven, Grace Craven, Dwight Craven, Evelyn Coffee, Eleanor Barnes and Harold Craven, who died in infancy.

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