Jewel Linn, 84

Jewel Linn, 84, of Barnes City died Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2008, at the Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A funeral service was held Monday, Oct. 13, at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma. Interment was at Jackson Township Cemetery, rural Montezuma. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Grinnell Regional Hospice. Friends may give condolences or sign the online guest book at hollandcoblefuneralhome.com.

She was born, the daughter of Eli and Bessie Coleman Wims, on Feb. 17, 1924, in Roundpond, Ark. During World War II she moved to the state of Washington where she worked for the local newspaper at the Naval Base where she was privileged to interview Franklin Roosevelt.

She married Frank Linn on July 1, 1944, in Bremerton, Wash. In 1945 they moved to Montezuma where they began farming. They purchased their current farm in 1973. Jewel was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and caregiver. She enjoyed taking care of her animals and especially her dog, Angel.

Her memory is honored by her son, Richard (Shirley) Linn of Montezuma; her daughter, Sandra (Dr. Paul) Poncy of Centerville; four grandchildren: Bill (Kim) Linn and Jacob, Brennan and Anderson of Eureka, Mo.; Lisa (Matt) James and Haley, Aliya and Dawson of Lynnville, Scott (Tricia) Poncy and Sydney of Albia and Dr. Brian Poncy and Calie of Stillwater, Okla.; and her sister, Katie Jones of Texarkana, Ark.

Jewel was preceded in death by her parents, Eli and Bessie Wims; her brother, James Wims, and four sisters: Mildred Patton, Essie Keever, Ann Covington and Amber Faye Wims.

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She is survived by her son Richard Linn of Montezuma; her daughter Sandra Poncy of Centerville; four grandchildren; eight great grandchildren and one sister, Katie Jones of Texarkansas, Ark. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one brother, James Wims and four sisters, Mildred Patton, Essie Keever, Ann Covington and Amber Faye Wims.