Virginia Lee Douglass, 85

Virginia Lee Douglass, 85, of Montezuma, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2013, at the Montezuma Nursing and Rehab Center in Montezuma. A memorial service was held on Saturday, Sept. 21, at 1 p.m. at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma. Burial will be held at a later date in the Union Mills Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Montezuma Volunteer Fire and Rescue. Friends can sign the online guestbook at www.hollandcoblenfuneralhomes.com.

Virginia Douglass, daughter of Chester and Marjorie (Turpin) Kline, was born on March 17, 1928, in Grinnell. Her early years were spent living the family farm life in the rural Grinnell area. The family later moved to New Sharon where Virginia continued school and graduated with the New Sharon class of 1945. She then went on to college at AIB College of Business in Des Moines. On July 14, 1948, she started her life long journey with her best friend, William "Bill" Douglass. While Bill was in the service, Virginia worked at Bankers Life in Des Moines. Due to Bill's career, the family moved several times, but each time Virginia would make it a loving home. Whether it was the Saturday night homemade pizza or the Sunday morning cinnamon rolls, she made every moment count. Bill and Virginia moved back to Montezuma to stay in 2001. In July of this year, they celebrated 65 years of marriage. Virginia enjoyed many of the simple pleasures of life, flowers, a good book and a nice walk. She also enjoyed working on puzzles and cross stitch and keeping a clean house. Virginia was active in many organizations throughout her life including the United Methodist Women, Study Club, Mothers Club and the V.F.W. Women's Auxiliary. In all of the things that she enjoyed, her love for Bill and her family always took center stage.

Virginia was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Norma Heaberlin.

Left to cherish her memory is her husband, Bill Douglass of Montezuma; a son, Robert Douglass, and special friend Ginger of Barnes City; two daughters, Susan Douglass of Altoona and Joyce Flippin of Montezuma. She was a loving grandmother to Jessica, Derrick, and Jarred as well as a great-grandmother to Keith, Kyle, Addison, Gabriel, Kaylee, and Emma. She touched the hearts of many lives and will be greatly missed.

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She is survived by her husband, Bill Douglass of Montezuma; a son, Robert Douglass; two daughters, Susan Douglass of Altoona and Joyce Flippin of Montezuma; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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