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Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home with the family present from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the First Presbyterian Evangelical Church or the St. Francis Foundation. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www. hollandcoblefuneralhomes.com. Holland-Coble Funeral Home of Montezuma is in charge of arrangements.

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