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She is survived by her children Kristin Armstrong of Gibson and Vincent Johnson II of Montezuma; four grandchildren; two step grandchildren; nine great grandchildren; five step great grandchildren; and a sister, Ranné Sioux of Salisbury, N.C.

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