

Record RUTH PIERCE 6-12-2014

Ruth Pierce, 86, of Barnes City passed away Friday, June 6, 2014 at the Hospice Serenity House in Oskaloosa. Funeral Services were held Sunday, June 8, 2014 at the Holland-Coble Funeral Chapel



in What Cheer. Burial was in the Highland Cemetery near What Cheer immediately following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Ruth's name to the Hospice Serenity House. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.hollandcoblefuneralhomes.com.

Ruth Pierce, daughter of Edwin and Ethel (Thomas) Ross, was born on December 2, 1927. She grew up helping her parents on the family farm where she enjoyed riding horses and music. On September 1, 1945 in Sigourney, she married her true love, Farrell Pierce. Together, they continued to farm at the home place near Gibson. She was a hardworking farmwife and a loving mother to their children. Throughout her time here with us, she always held on to her love of music. Ruth enjoyed playing the guitar, country music, and dancing. Ruth loved John Wayne movies and the music of Ernest Tubb. She passed her work ethic and love of music on to her family. Ruth was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother who will be deeply missed.

Ruth is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, William Farrell Pierce (2002); one brother, George Ross; and a grandson, Willie Pierce.

Left to honor her memory and carry on her tradition is her son, Frank (Tammy) Pierce of Gibson; three daughters, Cathy (Vern) Fair of Oskaloosa, Betty (Larry) Current of Oskaloosa, and Margie Pierce of Springfield, Mo.; three sisters, Gladys, Marie, and Ethel; 11 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.