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Interment was in Pleasant Township Cemetery in Ewart, followed by lunch and fellowship for family and friends in the United Methodist Church basement.

She was born October 6, 1934, in Grinnell, the daughter of William and Louise Copeland Ewaldt. She graduated from Montezuma High School in 1953. On April 21, 1956, she married Norman McKee at Nashua. They had two children, William and Patty. She worked at the Montezuma Sale Barn, and in recent years was bookkeeper at the Montezuma Light Company. She was a member of the Montezuma United Methodist Church and V.F.W. Auxiliary.

She is survived by her son, William and daughter Patty McKee of Montezuma; two grandsons; her special friend Mick Talbert; and many good friends. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Norman.

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Marlene is survived by her family, William and his friend, Sue Gary, of Jackson, Mich.; Patty McKee of Montezuma; her two grandsons, Mitchell and Richard McKee, both of Barnes City; and her special friend, Mick Talbert, and many good friends.

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