

Vivian A. McNeal, 95



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Vivian Ann McNeal, 95, died Friday night; Jan. 14, 2005, at the Pleasant Care Living Center in Pleasantville.

Her funeral service was Monday, Jan. 17, at Watts Funeral Home, Montezuma, with the Rev. Kevin Glesener of the New Sharon Methodist Church, officiating. Interment was at Jackson Township Cemetery, Montezuma.

Casket bearers were Leland VanderLinden, Terry Kliethermes, Robert Landstrum, Terry Fielder, Kirk Hosteng, Jeff Conway and Mike Smith.

Vivian Ann was born Jan. 28, 1909, in Mahaska County, the daughter of Milton and Lena (Shoemake) Phillips. Vivian graduated from New Sharon High School in 1928 and then the Chillicothe Business School at Chillicothe, Mo. In 1943, she was united in marriage with

Herman McNeal, who died in 1963. Vivian lived most of her life in Seattle, Wash., where she was a secretary for the Veterans Administration for nearly 30 years. She moved to Des Moines about 10 years ago and most recently lived in Pleasantville. She was a longtime member of the New Sharon Methodist Church and also NARFE, National Association of Retired Federal Employees. Vivian was also an avid bridge player.

She is survived by two nieces, Billie Marie Davis of Pleasantville and Norma Lee Smith, of Oskaloosa; six great-nieces and nephews, Susan Sheehy of New York City, Sally VanderLinden of Pleasantville, Steve Sheehy of Riviera Beach, Fla., Sara Landstrum of Norwalk, Mike Smith of Oskaloosa, and Marla Jo Fielder of Oskaloosa, and all of their families; sister-in-law Sadie Phillips of Montezuma, and other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, five brothers and one sister.

A memorial in her name has been established for the New Sharon Methodist Church.