Barbara Jane Foster
May 25, 1929 - Aug. 23, 2016

Barbara Foster, 87 of Oskaloosa and formerly of New Sharon passed away Tuesday, Aug. 23, 2016 at the Mahaska Health Partnership Hospice Serenity House in Oskaloosa. Funeral services were Friday, Aug. 26, at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in New Sharon with burial held in the Union Mills Cemetery at Union Mills. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the New Sharon Fire and Rescue and/or the family's name.

Barbara Jane Foster, the daughter of John and Anna Mae (DeWinter) Roorda, was born on May 25, 1929 in Taintor, Iowa. She attended school in the New Sharon area before receiving her GED. Barb was married to Gerald Little in 1946. To this marriage four children were born, Larry, Jerry, Virginia and Nancy. They later divorced. Barb worked for Brownell's in Montezuma for 20 plus years before selling real estate in Oskaloosa. On July 8, 2008, Barb married Samuel Foster. Together they enjoyed local traveling through out Iowa checking out the countryside and wintering in Texas. She enjoyed playing solitaire, doing crosswords, cooking, gardening, going out to eat and spending time with her family. Barbara attended Central Reform Church in Oskaloosa.

Barb is survived by her husband, Samuel Foster of Oskaloosa; two children, Jerry (Kathy) Little of Montezuma and Nancy (Gary) Walker of New Sharon; six grandchildren, Karen VanMaanen, Jeff (Jo) Little, Mark (Missy) Little, Mindi (Kelly) Playle, Julie (Brian) Cline and Rusty (Jen) Darland; 16 great grandchildren; four great great grandchildren. Also surviving are her siblings: Joyce Stone of Grinnell, Norman (Dena) of Oskaloosa, Patricia Davis of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Elmer (Delaine) of Oskaloosa, Marge Clayton of Grinnell, Virgil (Rosy) of Barnes City, Sharon (Frank) Fowler of Grinnell, Linda Mason of Pueblo, Colorado, Lyle (Judy) of Montezuma and Bruce (Judi) of Montezuma.

She was preceded by her parents; a son, Larry Little; a daughter, Virginia Darland; a grandson, Nicholas Ryan Walker and four siblings, Harlen Roorda, Marvin Roorda, Loren Roorda and Marilyn Cook.