FORMER BARNES CITY RESIDENT

Hazel Palmer, 95

Hazel Palmer, 95 of Pleasant Hill and formerly of Barnes City passed away Saturday morning, November 19, 2016. Funeral services were Saturday, November 26, 2016, at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in New Sharon. Burial will be held in the Barnes City Cemetery. Visitation Friday, November 25, 2016 at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in New Sharon with the family present that evening. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Barnes City Community Life Center. Holland-Coble Funeral Home of New Sharon is in charge of arrangements.

Hazel Arlene Palmer, the daughter of John and Jennie (Burggraf) McMahan, was born on May 27, 1921 near Barnes City, Iowa. She graduated from Barnes City High School in 1938. On February 6, 1941, Hazel was united in marriage to Darwin Palmer. To this union three sons were born, Ron, Terry and Bruce. Hazel and Darwin farmed and raised their children in the Barnes City area. She was a typical farmers wife helping out where needed and taking care of the children. She also worked a few years at the Montezuma Sale Barn. Hazel had a large garden and enjoyed spending time gardening, canning and attending North Mahaska school and sporting events. Hazel had a wonderful mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She enjoyed spending time with her family especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was a member of the Gideon's and the Barnes City Community Life Center, where she played the organ/piano for many years.

Her memory will be honored by: three sons, Ron (Bonnie) Palmer of Pleasant Hill, Terry (Sandy) Palmer of Denver, Colo., and Bruce (Barbara) Palmer of Dunwoody, GA.; 13 grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren; two sisters-in-law, Imogene McMahan of Marion, Iowa and Verla McMahan of Roberta, Georgia, many nieces, nephews and friends.

Hazel was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Darwin; her brothers; Gerald (Jessie) McMahan, Donald (Valena) McMahan, Hassal McMahan, and Adrian McMahan; her sisters; Doris (Vern) Cheney, Dorothy (Virgil) Lester and Helen McMahan.

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