Beverly Paragon, 72 of New Sharon passed away September 23, at Pella Hospice Comfort House. As was Bev’s wish, her body has been cremated. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday morning, September 29, at New Sharon First Christian Church. A visitation luncheon will be held following the service at the church. Burial will be held in the Friends Cemetery in New Sharon at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Pella Hospice or others to be designated at a later date. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.hollandcoblefuneralhomes.com. Holland-Coble Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Beverly June Paragon, the daughter of John and Edna (Hasley) Dawley, was born March 18, 1946 in Okaloboa. She was graduated from New Sharon High School in 1964. Bev married Paul Paragon on June 5, 1964 at the New Sharon Friends Church. They were the parents of six children, Jana, Mike, Richard, Wes, Curt and Daryl. Bev was a homemaker on the farm and later worked at the Poweshiek County Assessor’s Office for over 20 years. She enjoyed her children and grandchildren so much and loved being a grandma. She spent countless hours with her family at the Paragon family farm and attended most of her grandchildren’s activities. Bev was a wonderful cook and fixed many family dinners. She loved her flowers, growing tomatoes and making salami which her family thoroughly enjoyed. She loved candy, coffee and time with her friends and her dog, Gracie.

Bev’s memory will be cherished by her children, Jana (Bill) Freeborn of New Sharon, Wes (Gina) Paragon of Montezuma, Curt (Julie) Paragon of Urbandale, Daryl (Allison) Paragon of Montezuma and her daughter-in-law, Gretchen Paragon of Trier; her favorite grandchildren, Emily Paragon, Beau Freebom, Olivia Paragon, Aliya Paragon, Rachel Freeborn, Mya Paragon, Kate Paragon, Harlee Paragon, Ava Paragon, Jacob Paragon and Rett Paragon; her sister, Betty Harrison of Newton; her brother, Dan (Diana) Dawley of Montezuma; and her many nieces, nephews, relatives and many friends. 9-27-2015