Lucille Wilkins, 88

Lucille Wilkins, 88, of Barnes City, died Tuesday, May 8, 2007, at the Hospice of Jasper County in Newton.

Her funeral service was held at Watts Funeral Home, Montezuma, on Saturday, May 12, with Pastor Paul Sepfer and Pastor David Arulnathan officiating. Interment was at Barnes City Cemetery, Barnes City, Watts Funeral Home, Montezuma, was entrusted with the arrangements.

Honorary casket bearers were Charlie Fry, Gordon Lindblom, Ned Schultz, Al Calvert and Lewis Clark.

Casket Bearers were Lee Walker, Michael Wilkins, Guy Schultz, Mark Huston, Scott Huston, Curt Ferguson and Jim McClure.

Lucille was born May 27, 1918, near Keswick, the daughter of George and Gertrude (Hale) Hermanstorfer. She was united in marriage with Emmett Wilkins on April 24, 1936, at Iowa City. She lived in and around South English and Keswick, moving to Barnes City in 1973. She operated "Lucy's Cafe" for six years. She was a member of the United Methodist Women, the Over Easy Club and the Lend a Hand Club. Lucille attended church at Faith Christian Center in Montezuma.

Lucille is survived by one son, Kenneth Wilkins and his wife, Sharon Ann, of Mt. Vernon; three daughters, Shirley Pitman and her husband, Wayne, of Barnes City, Sharon Ferguson and her husband, Robert, of New Sharon and Connie Mart and her husband, Bud, of Grimes; nine grandchildren; fifteen great-grandchildren; her sister, Norma Wolfe and her husband, Dale, of Harper.

Lucille was preceded in death by her husband, Emmett; her brothers, Vernon Hermanstorfer and Harry Hermanstorfer; her sister, Kathryn Cuppy, and a grandson in infancy.

Memorial contributions may be designated to the Hospice of Jasper County or in Lucille's name.