Kay Bryan, 85

Kay Bryan, 85, of Montezuma, passed away Monday, Jan. 26, 2009, at the Mahaska Health Partnership in Oska-
loosa. Funeral services were at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, Jan.
30, at the New Sharon Friends Church. Interment was in
the Jackson Township Cemetery in Montezuma. In lieu
of flowers, memorialis may be made to the New Sharon
Friends Church or the Diabetes Foundation. Friends may
give condolences or sign the online guestbook at hollan-
ncoblefuneralhome.com. Holland-Coble Funeral Home is
in charge of arrangements.

Violet Kathleen Bryan, daughter of John and Velma
(Sarver) Newport was born on March 13, 1923, in Lacey. She was a 1941 graduate
of Searshboro High School. On June 16, 1941, Kay was united in marriage to Edwin
Bryan at the Friends Church Parsonage in Searshboro. To this union, seven children
were born, Terry, Ron, Carol, Rick, Joy, Denny and Kelly. Together they farmed in
the Montezuma area until 1974. In the fall of 1970, Edwin and Kay opened Fun
Valley Ski Area in Montezuma. Kay was very active in Fun Valley’s success. She
was vice president and treasurer at Fun Valley. She was in charge of the kitchen,
and writing out checks. Kay was known for making pies and cookies that everyone
around here enjoyed. She played the piano/organ at the Friends Church for over 60
years. Kay enjoyed crocheting, doing crossword puzzles, playing cards and domi-
nos. She enjoyed making quilts; especially for everyone in her family. Kay prayed
daily and was an avid reader. She belonged to the New Sharon Friends Church, For-
cast Home Club and Montezuma Country Club.

Kay’s memory will be cherished by her seven children, Terry (Linda) Bryan of
Montezuma, Ron (Joyce) Bryan of Oskalooza, Carol (Jim) Means of Olathe, Kan.,
Rick (Connie) Bryan of Oskalooza, Joy (Dean) Hubbard of Montezuma, Denny
(Marcy) Bryan of Oskalooza, and Kelly (Lori) Bryan of Montezuma; 50 grand-
children including their spouses; 56 great-grandchildren including their spouses;
one great-great-grandchild; one sister, Donna Bryan; and two sisters-in-law, Lorna
Bryan and Delores (Bob) Burt.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Velma Newport; her husband,
Edwin Bryan; her sister, Gayle Cooper; her half brother, Onis Bunting; two half
sisters, Lois Hasley and Geraldine Hite; and her granddaughter, Amber Bryan.

A funeral service will be held Friday, Jan. 30, at 1 p.m. at New Sharon Friends Church. Interment will take place in Jackson Township Cemetery, rural Montezuma. Memorials may be made to New Sharon Friends Church or the Diabetes Foundation.

The daughter of John and Velma Sarver Newport, she was born March 13, 1923, in Lacey. She was a 1941 graduate of Searsboro High School. On June 16, 1941, she was united in marriage with Edwin Bryan at the Friends Church parsonage in Searsboro. They farmed in the Montezuma area until 1974. In the fall of 1970, they opened Fun Valley Ski Area in Montezuma. She was active in Fun Valley’s success as vice president and treasurer. She also was in charge of the kitchen and writing checks. She played the piano орган at the Friends Church for over 60 years. She belonged to the New Sharon Friends Church, Forest Home Club and Montezuma Country Club.

She is survived by her seven children, Terry Bryan of Montezuma, Ron Bryan of Oskaloosa, Carol Means of Olathe, Kan., Rick Bryan of Oskaloosa, Joy Hubbard of Montezuma, Denny Bryan of Oskaloosa and Kelly Bryan of Montezuma; 50 grandchildren; 56 great grandchildren; one great great grandchild and one sister, Donna Bryan. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her sister, Gayle Cooper; her half brother, Onis Bunting; two half sisters, Lois Hasley and Geraldine Hite and her granddaughter, Amber Bryan.