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Blanche Malcolm, 90, of Cedar Rapids, died Monday morning, Nov. 25, 1996 at Heritage Manor in Cedar Rapids.

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Funeral services were held on Wednesday, Nov. 27 at Watts Funeral Home, with the Rev. Brian Carter officiating. Organist was Mrs. Kathleen Ramsey and the music selection was "The Old Rugged Cross". Casket Bearers were Mike Silker, Rick Uhl, Jeff Tindle, Jeff Silker, John McCombs and Charles Estabrook. Burial was in the Golden Rod Cemetery

Blanche Malcolm was born March 13, 1906 in Illinois, the daughter of Frank and Mary (Elliott) Close. She moved with her family to Iowa in 1908. She graduated from Guernsey High School in 1924. Blanche then taught school before her marriage to William Wesley Malcolm on February 22, 1936 at Kirksville, Mo. They farmed east of Montezuma, before they retired and

moved into Montezuma. Wesley died September 16, 1983 and in 1984, Blanche moved to Cedar Rapids. She was a member of the Deep River Methodist Church, which is now the United Church of Deep River.

She was preceded in death by her parents; four brothers, Leonard Close, Vern Close, Ralph Close and George Close; and a sister, Grace Dougherty.

Blanche is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Donald and Gerri Malcolm of Montezuma; a daughter, Joyce Dungan of Cedar Rapids; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; two brothers. Bob Close of Cedar Rapids and Boyd Close of California; one sister, Frances Spencer of Lakewood, Colo.; and other relatives and many friends.

Memorials may be made to the United Church of Deep River.

Blanche Malcolm, 90, died Monday morning at Heritage Manor in Cedar Rapids. A longtime Deep River and Montezuma resident, she moved to Cedar Rapids in 1984.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday. November 27 at Watts Funeral Home in Montezuma. Burial will follow in the Golden Rod Cemetery at Deep River.

Visitation with the family will be Tuesday evening from 7 - 8:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the United Church in Deep River. MR 11-17-1996