

Pauline Shearer, 83

Pauline G. Shearer, 83, of Montezuma, died Sunday Jan. 6, 2002, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Jan. 8, at Watts Funeral Home in Montezuma.

Interment was at the Masonic-IOOF Cemetery, Montezuma. Casket bearers were DeLane Patterson, J.R. Shearer, B.J. Poe, Scott Morrow, Randy Henkle and Cole Henkle. Honorary casket bearers were Jeremy Poe and Ryan Patterson. Memorials are to the Montezuma Volunteer Fire Department.

Pauline was born Feb. 5, 1918, in Washington, the daughter of Paul and Cecilia (Todd) Gass. On Nov. 22, 1938, she married Marcus A. Shearer in Missouri. They spent all of their married life in Montezuma with the exception of four years in California while Marcus was in the Marine Corps during World War II.

In 1952, they purchased the Monte Cafe and Tap Room and operated them for many years. Pauline was a member of the Blakley-Stevens American Legion Auxiliary, Montezuma.

She is survived by her family, Clarence E. "Sonny" and Phyllis Shearer, Jean Ann Shearer, and Jo and Carol Poe, all of Montezuma; seven grandchildren, Scott and Susan Patterson, Jeremy Poe, B.J. Poe, Paula Henkle, Shelly Seymour, Cheryl Jaramillo, and J.R. Shearer; 14 great grandchildren; one brother, Bob Gass of Oregon; two sisters, Marjorie Smith of Carlisle and Shirley Heinle of Oskaloosa; a sister-in-law, Peggy Shearer of Des Moines; nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Marcus, on Feb. 26, 1993; two brothers, Ed Gass and Marvin Gass; and a sister, Doris Roberts.

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