

# Ella Stanford, 91

Ella Leona Stanford, 91, of Montezuma, died Monday, Nov. 26, 2001 at the Montezuma Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Graveside funeral services were held Nov. 30, 2001 at the West Liberty Cemetery.

Pastor Boyd Sparks of the Methodist Church, Barnes City, officiated.

She was born Oct. 12, 1910, near Ewart, the daughter of Emory and Ethel (Carr) Beason. She attended rural school. She was baptized at the West Liberty Church of Christ. On March 13, 1928, she was united in marriage with Burton Stanford at Oskaloosa. They farmed north of Montezuma before moving to Guernsey in the early 1960s. They later moved to Grinnell. Ella worked as a cook at several area restaurants. She was a member of the Christian Church and a charter

member of the Midway Grange. She loved to cook and also enjoyed fishing.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Burton; three sisters, Marie Sutphin, Sarah Moore and Eva Light; three brothers, Newell, Jack and Raford Beason; two half-brothers, Tom and Roy Beason; and a half-sister, Essie.

Ella is survived by her two daughters, Aleta (and Robert) DeHoedt of Barnes City and Doris Loving of New Sharon; three grandchildren, Barbara Iles of Glen Allen, Va., Dr. Leroy Schlesselman of Florence, S.C., and Russell DeHoedt of Cedar Rapids; four great-grandchildren, Jennifer Vogel, Ashley Schlesselman, Amanda DeHoedt and Elizabeth DeHoedt and other relatives and friends.

Interment was at West Liberty Cemetery with arrangements by Watts Funeral Home.

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