

JANICE VANDER LEEST

Services for Janice Vander Leest, 57, of Montezuma will be Thursday, Aug. 24, 10:30 a.m. at the Watts Funeral Home. Pastor Warren James will officiate, and burial will be in the Pleasant Twp. Cemetery.

Mrs. Vander Leest died Aug. 20 in Grinnell Hospital.

Survivors include her husband, Vernon; two sons, V. Dean Vander Leest of Grinnell and Marty Vander Leest of Des Moines; a daughter, Connie Vander Leest of Montezuma, and three grandchildren.

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Janice Arlene Vander Leest, 57,
Montezuma, died Sunday, August 20,
1995 at Grinnell Regional Medical
Center.

Funeral services were held on August 24, 1995 at Watts Funeral Home in Montezuma, with Pastor Warren James, Regular Baptist Church, officiating. Mrs. Rex Warden was organist. Providing special music were Jaci Van Wyk, Janel Schmidt, Jocelyn Beyer, Janna Goodrich and Jerilyn Van Weelden. Music selections were "Amazing Grace" and "God Will Take Care of You." Casket bearers were Dee Busby, Jeff Potter, John Thompson, Steve Audas, Eddie Roll and Joel Vander Leest. Honorary casket bearers were Brett Vander Leest, Rick Vasseau, Ben Casey, Bruce Potter, Daryl Grife, Marty Watts, Jim Potter and Craig Potter. Burial was in Pleasant Township Cemetery, Ewart, Iowa.

Janice was born in Poweshiek County, west of Montezuma, Iowa, on August 29, 1937, the daughter of Harold and Adella (Leatherman) Busby. She graduated from Montezuma High School in 1955. On February 26, 1956 she was united in marriage with Vernon Vander

Leest at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa. To this union three children were born. Janice was a lifelong resident of Montezuma, where she was a member of the Regular Baptist Church, V.F.W. Auxiliary and the American Legion Auxiliary. Janice loved children and spent most of her life providing child care in her home. Over the years she cared for over 300 children.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a sister, Marilyn in infancy, and a brother, Donald Busby.

Janice is survived by her husband, Vernon and their family: V. Dean and Karla Vander Leest of Grinnell; Marty Vander Leest of Des Moines; and Connie Vander Leest, Montezuma; three grandchildren: Brett Allen, Emily Lynn and Amanda Sue; two sisters: Dorothy Potter of Newton and Jane Audas of Montezuma; four brothers: Leonard Busby, Montezuma; Duane and Bertha Busby, Pella; Melvin and Rosemary Busby, California; Norman and Olwyn Busby, Florida; a sister-in-law, Helen Busby of Newton; and other relatives and many friends.

A memorial has been established in Janice's name.

MR August 30, 1995