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Ida M. Reynolds, 100

Ida M. Reynolds, 100, of Montezuma died Tuesday, June 25, in Montezuma.

Her funeral service was Monday, June 30, at Watts Funeral Home in Montezuma with Mr. Cletus Miller of the West Liberty Church of Christ officiating. Interment was at Jackson Township Cemetery in Montezuma.

Ida was born April 27, 1903, in Union Township, Poweshiek County, the eldest child of Elmer C. Watson and his wife, Elsie Steele Watson. When her parents divorced, she lived with her great-grandparents, Robert and Laura Steele, where she learned the household skills of a pioneer woman - sewing clothes,

canning food, quilting and crocheting. A piece of her crocheted lace was draped over her casket. Ida lived her entire life in Poweshiek County.

Ida was married to David A. Reynolds on Sept. 14, 1919. Four children were born to this couple. Ida and her husband, David, were devoted volunteers at the Soldiers and Sailors Home in Marshalltown.

Survivors include a daughter, Mae Foster of Rockford, Ill.; a half sister, Nina Groves of New Sharon; numerous nieces and nephews; 10 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.