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She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary.

She is survived by her yellow Labrador dog, Buddy; four sons and one daughter, Richard Kimm and Alan Kimm of Cedar Rapids, Chris Kimm and Jerry Kimm of Blairstown and Laurie Knox of Grinnell; nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers, Richard, R. Dewayne and Donald Fisher.

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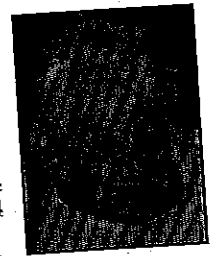
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She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary. Betty had a strong work ethic. She had a passion for the outdoors, animals, her garden, canning and especially kayaking. Her greatest love was her family, especially the grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She would also help the farmer north of Guernsey with baling and herding of the loose animals.

Those left to cherish her memory are her beloved yellow lab, Buddy; her five children, Richard Kimm of Cedar Rapids, Alan Kimm of Cedar Rapids, Chris (Faye) Kimm of Blirstown, Laurie (Kevin) Knox of Grinnell, and Jerry (Lisa) Kimm of Blirstown; nine grandchildren, Michael Kimm, Chrystal Kimm, Nicole Kimm, Nick Mitchell, Kristi Mitchell, Ben Mitchell, Ashley Kimm, Melissa Kimm and Brooke Kimm; three great-grandchildren, Veronica Mitchell, Alex Mitchell and Keely Kimm; and one sister-in-law, Mary Jane Fisher of Blirstown; and several nieces and nephews.

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