Wilma Sanders, 85

Wilma Sanders, 85, of Deep River, died Thursday, Nov. 25, 2010, at the Northern Mahaska Nursing and Rehab Center. Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 29, at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma. Burial was in the Barnes City Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Barnes City Cemetery or to the Barnes City Fire Department.



Wilma Evelyn Sanders was born Oct. 8, 1925, near Rose Hill, the daughter of Oliver Franklin Mason and Bertha Mae Small Mason. After graduating from Barnes City High School in 1945, she was married to Edward McClure at Oskalossa on Aug. 12, 1945. Edward passed away in 1963. In 1965, Wilma married Philip Sanders who later passed away in 1991. She was a homemaker and a member of the Barnes City Ruritans. Wilma was also a member of the Barnes City Legion Auxiliary. She loved quilting, knitting, sewing, crafting and playing cards. She also enjoyed showing horses. Wilma loved spending time with her daughter, Vickie, and her granddaughter, Michele.

Wilma is preceded in death by her parents; her two husbands; an infant daughter, Cynthia McClure; and a stepson, Gary Sanders. Also her brothers, Paul, Walter, Oren, Norman and William; and her two sisters, Edith Kinney and Ina Cox; as well as three half-sisters.

Surviving are her daughter Vickie (Dennis) Beyer of Barnes City; and her stepdaughter, Sue (Roger) Shaull of Solon. Also a granddaughter, Michele (Mike) Kalsem; her three great-granddaughters, Daniele, Bryanna and Alyson Kalsem; her brother, Ernest (Joan) Mason of Oskaloosa; and her sisters, Mae Ruby of New Sharon, Wanda Robertson of Oskaloosa, Ivalene (David) Robbins of Oskaloosa, and Nancy (Larry) Doonan of Barnes City. Also surviving are her three step-grandchildren and their families.

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