

OBITUARIES

MONTEZUMA RESIDENT

Lu Ahrens, 94



Luverne Evangeline Ahrens
Jul. 21, 1922 - Aug. 23, 2016

Lu Ahrens, 94 of Montezuma passed away peacefully Tuesday morning, Aug. 23, at the Montezuma Specialty Center. Funeral services were Saturday, Aug. 27, at the St. John's Lutheran Church in Grinnell with burial in the Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the St. John's Lutheran Church, 1224 East St. Grinnell, Iowa 50112.

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Luverne "Lu" Evangeline Ahrens, the daughter of George and Helen (Duehring) Breed, was born on July 21, 1922 in Embarrass, Wisconsin. She graduated from Clintonville High School in Clintonville, Wisconsin. On July 2, 1940, Lu was united in marriage to John L. Ahrens. To this union five children were born, Mary Lu, John, Connie, Bill and Robert. In 1945, John and Lu moved to Grinnell to be closer to John's family. Lu prided herself on being a homemaker. In 1964, John and Lu built Lake Ponderosa near Montezuma. Lu worked side by side with her husband taking care of the daily operations where

she was the secretary and book keeper. Lu absolutely loved meeting new people and staying up on current events with her lake family. Lu stayed actively involved in the lake until 2011. She was a wonderful cook and enjoyed baking, taking pictures, hosting family dinners and meeting new people. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Lu was very proud of her family and absolutely loved when they were around to visit. She was very good about keeping the family connected by writing her family newsletters. She was a very caring and loving person and was very good about sending birthday and/or thank you cards. Lu was a member of the St. John's Lutheran Church, Mary Martha Circle, WAW Club, Forest Home Club and Blue Point Friendship Club.

Her memory will be honored by her children, Mary Lu Watson of Montezuma, Joan Ahrens of Montezuma, Connie (Marvin) Schmeiser of Antigo, Wisconsin, William (Jane) Ahrens of Montezuma and Robert (Marilyn) Ahrens of San Antonio, Texas; 19 grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren; 10 great-great grandchildren; her sister, Dorothy Arndt of Marion, Wisconsin; and several other nieces, nephews and friends.

Lu was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, John L. Ahrens; a son, John G. Ahrens; a grandson, Samuel Ahrens and a son-in-law, Freddy Watson.

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