

Record 8-4-2016



OBITUARIES

FORMER MONTEZUMA RESIDENT

Forrest Gorsuch, 95



Forrest Gorsuch, 95, of Grinnell and formerly of Montezuma passed

away peacefully Sunday morning, July 24, 2016 at the Mayflower Care Center in Grinnell. Funeral services were held Wednesday, July 27, 2016 in the Carmen Center at the Mayflower Community Center in Grinnell. Burial was in the Jackson Township Cemetery in Montezuma. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Mayflower Community Center. Holland-Coble Funeral Home of Montezuma is in charge of arrangements.

Forrest Wendell Gorsuch, the son of Lewis and Myrtle (Hutchinson) Gorsuch, was born on May 1, 1921, on the Gorsuch family farm east of Montezuma. He was a 1939 graduate of Mon-

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taurant and Carnsforth Inn. Forrest was a member of the Montezuma First Presbyterian Evangelical Church, Knights of Pythias, Farm Bureau and the Diamond M Square Dance Club. Forrest was a wonderful husband, father, uncle and friend. He has a special dog, Barky, that lives near the Mayflower and still visited him on occasion. Forrest enjoyed special times with Mary's niece Barbara Watson and her family.

Forrest is survived by his son, Larry Wendell Gorsuch of the Mayflower Community Center; his brother, John (Kathleen) Gorsuch of Montezuma; a niece Nancy (David Isch) Gorsuch of Grinnell; and many other nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

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