

Record 11-30-2017
Leona Evelyn Popejoy

Jan. 17, 1924 - Nov. 21, 2017

Leona Popejoy, 93 of Montezuma died Nov. 21, at her Montezuma residence. Services were held Nov. 25, at Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma. Burial will be at a later date in the Jackson Township Cemetery at Montezuma. Holland-Coble Funeral Home of Montezuma was in charge of arrangements.

Leona Evelyn Popejoy, the daughter of Fred and Orena Vermillion Davis was born in Poweshiek County near Brooklyn Jan. 17, 1924. She attended the Malcom country school and one year at Montezuma.

In 1940, Leona married John Hicks. They were the parents of five children, Jim, Jerry, Johnny Lynn, Carol and Kim.

Leona was a homemaker, waitress and shirt factory worker. She lived in Flippin, AR for 25 years.

In 1992, Leona moved back to Montezuma to be closer to her family. She enjoyed her retirement and loved cooking and baking for her family. Leona wrote country songs, had a green thumb for her flowers, and collected owls, butterflies and dolphins.

Her memory will be cherished by her children, Jim and Meryll Hicks of Montezuma, Jerry and Dottie Hicks of Montezuma, Carol and Kenny Maschmann of Montezuma and Kim Hicks of Montezuma; her grandchildren, Mike (Roxie) Hicks, Shelli Johnson, Jamie (Chris) Brennen, Tammy (Frank) Pierce, Tom Hicks, Scott Maschmann, Sharri (Dallas) Carothers, and Partner Maschmann (Sonya Grandstaff); 18 great grandchildren and 12 great great grandchildren; her nieces and nephews, as well as many other relatives and friends.

Leona is preceded in death by her parents; her son, Johnny Lynn; her brothers Buddy Davis and Smith Davis and her sisters, Vernice Johnston and Louise Cox.