

Louise Carolyn Gray Dec. 7, 1948 - Feb. 24, 2018

Louise Gray, 69 of Knoxville, formerly of Montezuma died Feb. 24, at the Knoxville Hospital.

Services were held Feb. 28, at Holland-Coble Funeral Home, Montezuma. Her body will be cremated and burial will be held in the Barnes City Cemetery in Barnes City. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association.

Louise Carolyn Gray, the daughter of Melvin and Gwenda (Jones) Walker, was born December 7, 1948 in Montezuma. She was graduated from Montezuma High School in 1967.

Louise married Kenneth Gray on July 2, 1967 in Montezuma. To this union three children were born, Sarah, Scott and Tamara. They lived in Montezuma and she managed the Star Lanes Café. She also lived several years in Barnes City.

Louise received her Associate of Applied Science Degree in Nursing in 1983 from Indian Hills Community College. Following graduation, Louise's family moved to Knoxville and worked at the VA Hospital. She worked as a nurse for several years before she was promoted to a case manager retiring in 2009. Louise was an avid reader and enjoyed genealogy, sewing and bird watching. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and enjoyed spending time with her family.

Her memory will be honored by her children, Sarah Gray of Knoxville, Scott (Jennifer) Gray of Knoxville and Tamara (Brian) Shearer of Knoxville; 10 and 10 great grandchildren; four siblings, Melvin (Linda) Walker of Springfield, MO, Marvin (Marie) Walker of Des Moines, Margaret (Dennis) Hutchinson of Montezuma and Meryll (Jim) Hicks of Montezuma; and other aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Louise was preceded in death by her parents, Melvin and Gwenda Walker and a great grandson, Emmett Cheman.