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Phyllis Jean Sanders



Phyllis Jean Sanders, age 93, of Marengo, Iowa, passed away Saturday, February 1, 2020, at Marengo Compass Memorial Healthcare and in the care of Iowa County Essence of Life Hospice. Phyllis was born June 6, 1926, to Louis and Lena (Height) Crider in Poweshiek County. She graduated from Montezuma High School in 1944. After high school, she worked at the rationing board in Brooklyn. Her job was to go to the board meetings and if the applications were okay, she tore out and destroyed coupons that were not allowed or approved. She would go to stores and take inventory of the

food on the shelves. She married Orville M. Sanders on January 14, 1946, and they farmed together around Montezuma and What Cheer.

Phyllis enjoyed college basketball, playing a wide variety of card/board games and couldn't be beat at Scrabble.

Left to honor her memory are her daughter and son-in-law Barb and Jim Howar; grandchildren Jodi Bacon, Angela (Andy) Hellman, Lucas (Ashley) Howar, and Jacob (Jessica) Howar; and her great grandchildren Allicia and Dylan Bacon, Alesha, Alex, and Ayden Hellman, and Ryan, Kyle, and Kaley Howar. She is also survived by her sisters-in-law Barbara and Shirley Crider and brothers-in-law Ronald, Bob, Marvin (Sandy), and Roger (Joan) Sanders, as well as many nieces and nephews, other relatives and dear friends.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her parents, Louis and Lena Crider; husband Orville; son David; daughter Marilyn; brothers Donald (Frances), Maynard, and Keith Crider; sisters Vada (Bill) Trinkle, Arlene (Don) Purdum, and Maxine Crider; brothers-in-law Donn and Clyde Sanders; and sisters-in-law Johnnie, Dixie and Lareta Sanders.

Inurnment service will be at Sixteen Cemetery in Thornburg, Iowa, at a later date.

Online condolences may be left at www.klosterfuneralhome.com.