Dixie E. Orr, 82



Dixie Evelyn Orr, 82, died Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2006, at the Windsor Estates Nursing Home in Camdenton, Mo.

Her funeral service was held Saturday, Dec. 9, at Watts Funeral

Home, Montezuma. Burial was at Jackson Township Cemetery. Watts Funeral Home of Montezuma was in charge of the arrangements.

Dixie Evelyn Orr, the daughter of John Arthur and Clora Elam Criswell, was born on April 13, 1924 at Grinnell. Following graduation Dixie married Dean Robinson. She devoted her life to her family. She had worked as a secretary for General Telephone Company, Globe Life Insurance and Computax. Dixie enjoyed singing as part of the Glee Club and was a member of the Garden Club

in Smithton, Mo. On March 16, 1968, Dixie married Clarence H. Orr at Chicago, Ill. Dixie was a loving and caring woman. She enjoyed her family and all of God's creatures. She enjoyed writing poetry, studying Bible verses and tending to little sick birds and animals. She was an avid gardener and loved painting and sketching scenery and still lifes.

Those left to honor Dixie's memory include her daughter-in-law, Sharon Robinson of Sunrise Beach, Mo.; her grandchildren, Christine and Brad Ternus of Dysart; Debi and Mark Steiner of Linn Creek, Mo.; and Doug and Marshell-Robinson of Sunrise Beach, Mo.; her great-granddaughter, Madison Lane Robinson; and her brother, Kenneth Criswell of Monticello, Ky., and several nieces and nephews.

Dixie was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence, on Dec. 5, 2003; her son, Daniel, on May 25, 2004; her brothers Sterile and Freeman; and her sister, Maxine Brown.

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