

Obituaries

Meryll Hicks

July 22, 1958 - Aug. 19, 2022

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Meryll Hicks, 64 of Montezuma passed away August 19, 2022 at UnityPoint Hospice Taylor House, Des Moines. Funeral Services were held August 23, 2022 at Montezuma United Methodist Church, Montezuma. Burial will be in the Jackson Township Cemetery, Montezuma. Visitation will be held on Monday, August 22, 2022 at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma. Memorials may be directed to the Montezuma Methodist Church, UnityPoint Hospice or the ALS Foundation. Holland-Coble Funeral Home of Montezuma is in charge of arrangements.

Meryll Myann Hicks, the daughter of Melvin "Bud" and Gwenda Jones Walker was born July 22, 1958 at Oskaloosa. She was the youngest of five siblings and attended and was graduated from Montezuma High School in 1976.

Meryll was united in marriage to James Hicks on July 23, 1982 at the Montezuma Methodist Church Chapel. To this union their daughter, Jamie, was born. Meryll was very fond of her community and began working at Montezuma Court House in the Recorder's Office. After this, she became the City Administrator and worked for over thirty years retiring in 2013.

After her retirement, she enjoyed helping care for her grandchildren and attending their sporting events. She loved flowers, gardening, music and singing in the church choir. Meryll entertained many children doing the children's sermons at church. She looked forward to going to the Lake of the Ozarks and spending two weeks in the winter in Mexico. Meryll was a Red Hat Lady and started out as a Pink Hat Lady due to her age.

Education and family were so important to her and she volunteered at the Montezuma School reading to students. She will be missed by many.

Meryll is preceded in death by her parents; and her sister, Louise Gray.

Meryll is survived by her husband, Jim Hicks of Montezuma; daughter, Jamie (Chris) Brennan of Montezuma, step-daughter, Shelli Johnson of Deep River; stepson, Mike (Roxie) Hicks of Montezuma; her special daughter, Jasmin Oppitz; grandchildren, Camryn Brennan and Luke Brennan; step grandchildren, Skylar Johnson, Cody Hicks, Dalton Hicks; step great grandchildren, Jaxon Hicks, Averlee Hicks, Alivia Hicks, Atlyn Hicks; siblings, Melvin (Linda) Walker of Springfield, MO., Marvin (Marie) Walker of Des Moines, and Margaret (Dennis) Hutchinson of Montezuma; as well as many other nieces, nephews, and friends.