## **JOYCE REMPP** HALL

Jan. 2, 1930 - Dec. 3, 2022

Joyce Rempp Hall, 92, passed away December 3, 2022 at UnityPoint Grinnell Regional Medical Center surrounded by her seven children following a wheelchair mishap earlier in the week.

Her children were blessed to give needed care and support for Joyce to live out final years at the family acreage on the west side of Montezuma. Services were held December 6, at Jackson Church of Christ, Montezuma. Burial was in Jackson Township Cemetery, Montezuma .

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Teen Serve or Hope Haven Rwanda (a Christian school in the heart of Africa serving 1500 vulnerable children and their families. Joyce's granddaughter, Paige, works here and it has been a source of inspiration to Joyce.) Holland-Coble Funeral Home of Montezuma is in

charge of arrangements.

Joyce was born to Paul & Claudine Crisman Rempp on the family farm north of Barnes City, Jan. 2, 1930. School days were spent with her brother Bill at Jackson #2, 1/2 mile from their home. Joyce loved being outdoors with her dad doing chores, caring for the animals and playing with neighbors. She attended high school in Montezuma and was graduated in 1947. She then attended Cedar Falls State Teachers College, which allowd her to teach at the country school across from the rural Madison Church of Christ northwest of Brooklyn.

It was there she met Don Hall, the brother of one of her students. They were married July 6th, 1949. The summer of 1953, Joyce was stricken with the polio virus that paralyzed both legs, left hand and weakened her entire body. She was pregnant with their 3rd daughter at that time. Joyce spent a year in hospitals in Des Moines and Denver regaining strength and learning to walk with the aid of Kinney sticks. She and Don had four more children following her paralysis.

Being an active member of Jackson Church of Christ gave Joyce much enjoyment, she taught Sunday School, Vacation Bible School and sang in different groups. She was a member of the rural Beulah Club and the Mothers Club in Montezuma. Joyce was always up for a board game with grandchildren and great grandchildren and even until her death she would win her share of the games. She enjoyed spending hours each day on her favorite pastime of scrap & photo booking, with photos

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and clippings spread over the kitchen table up until her last days. With their big family of seven children, many photo books have been filled and still enjoyed through the years. Following their children's many school activities was a highlight for Joyce and Don over the years as she made it to every event possible. Her beautiful smile and positive outlook on life radiated to everyone who met her.

Joyce leaves many happy memories to their seven children, Cyndy Smith of Stockbridge, GA, Becky (Jim) Bilbro of Shelbina, MO, Shari (John) McWilliams of Montezuma, Karen Murillo of Montezuma, Rick Hall of Indianapolis, IN, Rhonda (David) Steele of Washington and Jeff (Melanie) Hall of Urbandale. And 19 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

She is also survived by sister-inlaw, Marjorie Rempp; sister-in-law, Carol Klein; brother-in-law Jack (Kathie) Hall; a special family friend, Ken Smith and many nieces, nephews and

friends.

Sh was preceded in death by her husband, Donald Hall; brother, Bill Rempp; brother-in-law Norman (Frances) Hall; sister-in-law Miriam (Ernie) Andes; and brother-in-law Marvin Klein.