Margaret V. Hofer, 87

Margaret V. Hofer, 87, of Grinnell, died Tuesday, April 3, 2007, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center, Grinnell.

Her funeral service was held at Maple Hill Cemetery, Montour, on Friday, April 6, with Pastor Robert Burgett of Lee Town Assembly of God, Des Moines, officiating. Interment was at Maple Hill Cemetery, Montour. Watts Funeral Home, Montezuma, was in charge of the arrangements.

Margaret Viola Hofer, the daughter of John Jesse and Cordelia Kelsey Davis, was born on June 12, 1919, at Montour. She attended Montour schools. On July 21, 1934, Margaret was united in marriage with Leonard Dale Hofer at Toledo. Margaret dedicated her life to her husband and family. She assisted Leonard in his custodial duties at Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company and several area public schools. Margaret loved her family. She enjoyed hunting,

fishing, camping, dog field trial races and coon hound water races.

Those left to honor Margaret's memory include her daughters, Janet Sheets of Grinnell and Gladys (Gary) Schrage of Melrose, Jessie (Hank) Mefford of Des Moines, Jenny Burgett of Des Moines; her son, Robert (Vicky) Hofer of Des Moines; her daughter-in-law, Bonnie Hofer of Lynnville; a son-in-law, Lawrence Routier of Melrose; her 18 grand-children; 32 great-grandchildren and 17 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leonard, on Oct. 13, 1998; her son, Larry; her daughter, Darlene Routier; two sons-in-law, Richard Burgett and Larry Sheets; one grandson, Kenny; four great-grandchildren in infancy; her brother, Donald Davis; and her sister, Thelma Eck.

Memorial contributions may be designated to Hospice of Grinnell.

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A service will be conducted Friday, April 6, at 1 p.m. at Maple Hill Cemetery in Montour. Friends may call Thursday, April 5, after 1 p.m. at Watts Funeral Home in Montezuma where family members will be present between 6 and 8 p.m. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Grinnell and left at

the funeral home.

The daughter of John Jesse and Cordelia Kelsey Davis, she was born June 12, 1919, in Montour where she also attended school. On July 21, 1934, she was united in marriage with Leonard Dale Hofer in Toledo. She dedicated her life to her husband and family. She assisted her husband with his custodian duties at Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company and several public schools. She enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, dog field-trial races and coon-hound water races.

She is survived by her daughters Janet Sheets of Grinnell, Gladys Schrage of Melrose and Jessie Mefford and Jenny Burgett of Des Moines; one son Robert Hofer of Des Moines; 18 grandchildren, 32 great grandchildren and 17 great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one son Larry; one daughter Darlene Routier; one grandson Kenny; four great grandchildren in infancy; one brother Donald Davis and one sister Thelma Eck.