

Peggy A. Shearer, 84



Peggy Ann Shearer, 84, of Des Moines, died on Monday, May 7, 2007, at Windsor Manor, Grinnell, due to a short illness.

Her graveside service and interment was held Thursday, May 10,

at the Masonic Cemetery in Montezuma with the Rev. George Salnave presiding. A memorial service will be held Thursday, May 17, at 11 a.m. at the Westkirk Presbyterian Church, Urbandale, with the Rev. Michael Mudlaff officiating. Kruse-Phillips Funeral Home, Tama-Toledo, is in charge of the arrangements.

Peggy Ann Shearer was born on May 9, 1922, at Montezuma, the daughter of Earl and Margaret (Hutchinson) Shearer.

She graduated from Montezuma High School in 1939 and then attended Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls. She taught country school at Jackson Township No. 12 at Montezuma before joining the

Marines. After her military service, she taught school at Tama while finishing her education at Drake University. After teaching one year at Long Beach, Calif., she taught in the Des Moines School District at the Hubbell School for 31 and one-half years until her retirement at the age of 62.

She was a life member of the Eastern Star LaFayette Chapter 232 and the Des Moines Women's Club. She was also a member of the Des Moines American Legion, Des Moines Retired Teachers Association and the Iowa Women's Marine Corps. She loved to travel and organize trips and enjoyed music concerts of all kinds. Above all, she was very proud to have served her country during WWII in the U.S. Marines.

Survivors include two nieces, one nephew and several cousins.

Preceding her in death were one infant sister, Frances; one brother, Marcus (Pauline) Shearer and a close cousin, Marie Hutchinson Willett.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to a humane society of the donor's choice.

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Peggy Shearer, 84, passed away on Monday, May 7, 2007, at Windsor Manor, Grinnell. Military graveside services will be at 1 p.m. at the Masonic Cemetery with the Rev. George Salnave officiating. Family and friends will meet at the Presbyterian Church at 12:45 p.m. After the service, friends and relatives will gather at The Apple Basket for coffee and dessert.

Peggy was preceded in death by her sister, Frances; brother Marcus Shearer and sister-in-law Pauline; and close cousin Marie Hutchinson Willett.

There will be a memorial church service at Westkirk Presbyterian Church in Urbandale next week. No further information was available at press time.