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Obituary

Karen VerSteegt, 70, Newton

Karen J. VerSteegt, 70, of Newton passed away Nov. 30, 2007. A memorial services was held Dec. 3, at the Wallace Family Funeral Home in Newton. Rev. Gary Marzolf of the First United Methodist Church in Newton officiated. Memorials can be given in **K. VerSteegt** Karen's name and left at the funeral home.

Karen was born Jan. 24, 1937 in rural Poweshiek County to Raleigh and Ethel (Arthur) Stanley. She has lived in Newton since 1997. She had also lived in Searsboro and Hollandale, Minnesota. She graduated from Albert Lea High School in Minnesota. She worked at the



Grinnell Phone Company, Spurgeons and at Grinnell College.

She had been involved in the Democratic Party in Poweshiek County.

She married Melvin C. VerSteegt on Sept. 26, 1959 in Lynnville.

She is survived by a son Michael (and Carla) VerSteegt of San Francisco, California; two daughters: Kelly (and Doug) Englert of Windsor, Colorado; Karla (and Robert) Shackelford of Ankeny; three grandchildren: Calvin and Cale Englert and Jake De Penning; a brother: Donald (and Delores) Stanley of Albert Lea, Minnesota; a sister: Shirley Hovland of Hollandale, Minnesota.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Melvin, four brothers: Robert, Gordie, Jack and Lilburn Stanley; and a sister, Iris Guerts.

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