

Nancy Brownell



H.R. April 19, 2001

Nancy Denton Brownell, 62, of Montezuma died Wednesday, April 4, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines.

Funeral services were conducted April 10 at the Montezuma United Methodist Church, with the Rev. H. Burr Bryant officiating. Soloist was Rhonda Minner, and organist was Alice Underwood.

Casket bearers were Bill Bushong, Lyle Roorda, Jim Hicks, Dan Gray, Ralph Klein and James Jackson. Honorary bearers were Deloris Lundy, Cecile Mazan, Sarah Byers, Sally Arendt, Leah Arendt and Irene Fleming.

Watts Funeral Home of Montezuma was in charge of arrangements.

She was the daughter of Richard Olney and Elizabeth Archer Denton and was born Sept. 3, 1938, in Urbana, Ill. She was a 1956 graduate of Proviso High School. After two years at the University of Dubuque, she transferred to the University of Iowa, graduating with honors in 1960 with a degree in English education.

She was married to Frank Brownell July 16, 1961, in Northbrook, Ill. She taught in Dundee, Ill.; Long Beach, Calif.; and Montezuma, retiring in 1965 to raise her family.

Mrs. Brownell was involved in several organizations, including the Literary Club, PEO, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, the Montezuma United Methodist Church, Grinnell Regional Medical Center, Hillcrest Family Services, the Poweshiek County Co-op, the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, the alumni associations of the University of Dubuque and the University of Iowa, the University of Iowa Center for the Book and the Des Moines Metro Opera.

Surviving are her husband; three sons, Robert of Montezuma, Peter of Grinnell and Matthew of Golden, Colo.; two grandchildren; and one brother, Richard Denton of LaGrange, Ill.

Memorial contributions may be made to her church, the Montezuma Girl Scouts or the University of Iowa Center for the Book.

Nancy E. Brownell

Funeral services were held for Nancy Elizabeth Denton Brownell on Tuesday, April 10, 2001 at 10:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church, Montezuma with Rev. H. Burr Bryant officiating. Music was provided by soloist Mrs. Rhonda Minner and organist Miss Alice Underwood.

Casket bearers were Bill Bushong, Lyle Roorda, Jim Hicks, Dan Gray, Ralph Klein and James Jackson. Honorary casket bearers were Deloris Lundy, Cecile Mazan, Sarah Byers, Sally Arendt, Leah Arendt and Irene Fleming.

Arrangements were by Watts Funeral Home, Montezuma. Memorials may be directed to United Methodist Church, Montezuma Girl Scouts and University of Iowa Center for the Book.

Nancy Elizabeth Denton, the daughter of Richard Olney Denton and Elizabeth (Archer) Denton, was born in Urbana, Ill. Sept. 3, 1938. She passed away peacefully Wednesday, April 4, 2001 at Iowa Methodist Medical Center, Des Moines.

Nancy attended school in Broadview and Maywood, Ill., graduating from Proviso High School in 1956. Following two years at the University of Iowa and graduated with honors in 1960 with a degree in English Education.

Frank and Nancy were married in



Northbrook, Ill. July 16, 1961. Nancy taught junior high English in Dundee, Ill. for one year, high school English at St. Anthony's High School, Long Beach, Calif. for two years, and high school English in Montezuma Community School for one year, retiring in 1965 to begin housekeeping and to raise her

family.

Nancy was involved in many organizations including Literary Club, PEO, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, the Montezuma United Methodist Church, Grinnell Regional Medical Center, Hillcrest Family Services, the Poweshiek County Co-op, the American Cancer Society, Relay for Life, the alumni associations of the University of Dubuque, the University of Iowa, the University of Iowa Center for the Book, and the Des Moines Metro Opera.

Nancy is survived by her husband, Frank Royce, and their three sons, Robert Denton and his wife Jolene and their son Alex Robert, Montezuma, Peter Royce and his wife Helen Redmond and their daughter Mairiad Ann, Grinnell, and Matthew James of Golden, Colo.; also a brother, Richard Denton and his wife Barbara of LaGrange, Ill. and their children, Laurel and Steven; several cousins, nephews and nieces and many dear friends.

M.R. April 11, 2001