Margaret Ella Smith Gray, 92, of Montezuma, passed away on Friday, Dec. 19, 2003, at the Montezuma Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Margaret was born Sept. 24, 1911, in Keokuk County, the daughter of Raman and Ethel (Durfey) Smith. She graduated from Hedrick High School in 1930. On July 21, 1932, she was united in marriage with Hubert Gray at Morrison, Ill. They lived in the Hedrick and Fremont area before moving to Montezuma in 1945. From 1945 until 1961, they operated Gray's Produce. She was a member

of the Tri-Star Chapter No. 99 Order of Eastern Star and was a member of the Montezuma Methodist Church.

She is survived by two sons and their wives, Tony and Bettie Gray of Oskaloosa and Don and Beverly Gray of Montezuma; eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; two sisters-in-law, Reba Gray of Fremont and Lela Gray of Waterloo.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1987, one son, Fred, in 1984, and one granddaughter, Cindy Goldsmith, in 2003.