Mary E. Tish, 87

Mary Elnora Tish, 87, died Tuesday, October 11, 1994 at Siesta Park Nursing Home in Oskaloosa, Iowa.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, 1994 at Watts Funeral Home in Montezuma. Mr. Don Ridenour, Keswick, Ia., officiated the services. Music selections were "The Old Rugged Cross," "How Great Thou Art," and "In The Garden." Casket bearers were Allan McCullough, Mark McCullough, Steven McCullough, Ronald Grimm, Keith Fisch and Gary Armstrong. Burial was in West Liberty Cemetery, Poweshiek County, Iowa

Mary was born in Poweshiek County, Ia., the daughter of John and Rosa (Vought) Caudle. She attended Thornburg High School. On February 10, 1926 she was united in marriage with Floyd Tish at the Methodist parsonage in Montezuma. To this union two daughters and three sons were born. They farmed all of their married life in Poweshiek, Iowa and Keokuk counties. Since 1935 they farmed southeast of Deep River. Floyd died June 12, 1985.

For the past seven years Elnora has been a resident of Siesta Park. She loved to cook and enjoyed doing needle work, quilting and embroidering.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one son, Marvin in 1986 and one sister, Frances Holderness.

Elnora is survived by her family: Lois and Junior Gay of Oskaloosa; Keith and Janice Tish, Deep River; Arlo and Pat Tish, Deep River; Helen and Roger Edmundson, Keswick; and Verla Tish, Gibson; 16 grandchildren: Dennis Tish, Douglas Tish, Diane Lamb, Dan Tish, Edwin Gay, Debbie Shannon, Neisha Lawson, Vicki Crosser, Brenda Smothers, Marcy Pate, Gene Tish, Angie Meyers, Justin Tish, Jeff Edmundson, Chris Gragg and Scott Edmundson; 20 great-grandchildren; a nephew, Bernard Holderness of Paonia, Colorado; a niece, Mrs. Jim (Betty) Wingfield of Boone; and other relatives and many friends.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimers Association.

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