

BETTY CASE

Betty Case, 91 of Barnes City, died May 31, at the Montezuma Nursing Center in Montezuma. Services were June 4, at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma. Burial was in Barnes City Cemetery.

born Nov. 5, 1921 in Gibson, in her grandfather James Lester's home, to Erma Jane Lester and W.C. Steele: The family moved south of Gibson to a farm known as the Edgerton Farm in March of 1922. Betty lived there with her parents and brother Leslie until Feb. 1932 when they moved to a farm purchased by her parents in Poweshiek County.

She attended the Gibson School through the fifth grade and then continued her education at Jackson #8 Country School until the eighth

grade. Betty was graduated from Barnes City High School in 1939. Upon graduation Betty spent a short time in Business College.

Betty was united in marriage to Paul J. Case in Lancaster, Mo. on Sept. 29, 1940. Paul and Betty lived in Ottumwa until Paul entered the service. While Paul was away, Betty lived with her parents and helped on the farm. When Paul returned, they lived in Barnes City until entering into a farm partnership with W.J. Ferns and moving out to a rental farm in 1952.

On July 4, 1952, Paul and Betty welcomed a daughter, Rhonda Lee. They purchased a farm southeast of Barnes City in 1966 and Betty called it home until her death.

Betty belonged to the Barnes City Methodist Church where she taught Sunday School for many years. She was also active in the Barnes City Ruritan and Betterment Club.

She leaves to honor her memory, her sisters-in-law Imogene Steele of Barnes City and Nell Case of Florida; her brother-in-law Clyde (Lorene) Case of Florida; her nephews, Gregory Steele of Barnes City, Joseph (Mary) Steele of Barnes City, David (Rhonda) Steele of Washington, Andrew (Sarah) Steele of Waterloo, Steven Case, Jeffrey Case, Dan Case and Doyle Case; her nieces, Lisa Jean (Greg) Harden of Phoenix, Ariz. and Shellee Case; great nephews, Bradley, Ben, Colin, Patrick, Max, Ben and Thomas; great nieces, Shannon, Paige, Brynna, Carly, Madisyn, Kaylee and Natalie.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband, Paul (1982); her daughter, Rhonda Lee; her parents, Cliff and Erma Steele and her brother, Leslie Steele.