Ethel Darlene 'Mugs' Mason

June 18, 1931, to Dec. 3, 2003

Ethel Darlene "Mugs" Mason, 72, of Maxwell died Wednesday, Dec. 3, at the Israel Family Hospice House in Ames.

She was born on June 18, 1931, in Confidence to John V. and Leah Sulser Buttz. She attended school in Confidence and Corydon. She married Harold Mason on April 16, 1947, in Unionville, Mo. They moved to Maxwell and lived in the Maxwell and Collins area. Darlene was a homemaker for much of her life. She helped Harold operate the Conoco Oil Station in Maxwell for six years. She had also operated an ice cream shop in Maxwell and had worked at Cooper Furniture and Funeral Home in Maxwell. She was a member of the Collins Christian Church. She enjoyed camping and collecting glassware.

Survivors include her husband, Harold of Maxwell; a son, Donald (and Sharon) Mason of Albia; a daughter, Connie (and Glen) Winters of Nevada; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Goldie McCarty of Chariton.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a son, Clifford in infancy; a sister, Pansy Teller; and four brothers, Archie, Willie, Weston and John Henry Buttz.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Dec. 6 at the Collins Christian Church with Pastor Scott Jones officiating. Burial was in the Confidence Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Israel Family Hospice House. Bacon Funeral Home in Maxwell handled arrangements.

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