MARY ELLEN UPDIKE

Mary Ellen Updike, age 70, of Monticello, died Monday, September 30, 2002, at Sunny Hill Healthcare Center in Madison.

Mary was born September 16, 1932, in Green County, the daughter of Ray and Lola (Hintzman) Broge. She graduated from Juda High School in 1950 and married Francis L. Updike on December 30, 1950 at the Zwingli United Church of Christ in Monticello. Mary and her husband farmed in Mt. Pleasant Township until 1978. She was a member of Zwingli United Church of Christ.

Survivors include two daughters, Jean Ann Updike of Monticello and Lynn (Ed) Beckman of Monroe: three sons, Raymond Updike, Mark (Heidi) Updike, all of Monticello, Curtis (Diane) Updike of Browntown: Seven grandchildren, Eric and Shari Updike, Michelle Beckman, Kristin Shelton, Jennifer, Nickie, and John Updike: two great-grandchildren, Brennan Shelton and Hannah Curran; and two sisters, Bonnie Johnson of Monroe, and Shirley (Alois) Moest of Orangeville, IL.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Francis, on November 29, 1995, and her parents.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, October 3, 2002, at 1:00 pm, at Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello, with Rev; Lawrence Balleine officiating. Interment will be in Highland Cemetery, Monticello.

Friends may call at the Voegeli-Newcomer Funeral Home, Monticello, on Wednesday from 6:00 pm. until 8:00 pm. A memorial fund will be established in Mary Ellen's name.