



Ardell Key

Ardell was born May 12, 1933, in Cedar Falls, Iowa, the daughter of Kennard and Ellena Lorraine (Jackwey) Reese. She graduated from Cedar Falls High School. She married Reynold Martens in 1954 in Coralville and were later divorced. She then married William Key in 1981 in Cedar Rapids. He died in January of 1999. She was employed at National Oates in Cedar Rapids and then was an assistant to the Director of International Sales at Universal Engineering in Cedar Falls, retiring in 1981. She was a member of the Friends of the Cedar Falls Library and an active volunteer.

Ardell is survived by her son, Tom Martens of Cedar Rapids; daughters, Valori G. (Donald) Forrester of LaPorte City, Steffoni D. (Phillip) Sharp of Aubrey, TX, and Rise` A. Martens of Cedar Rapids; twelve grandchildren, TeRise`, Michele, Matthew, Danielle and Gene Forrester, Kean and Kyle Lyons, Austin and Jazmine Martens, and Wendy, Cody, and Taylor Sharp; five great grandchildren, Ashley, Alicia, and Dallas Forrester, Sean Woodman, and Nicholas Hebert; and brother, William Reese of Bangor, Maine.

Ardell died Sunday, December 26, 2004, at the Windsor Nursing and Rehab Center in Cedar Falls. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and sister, Marian Reese.