
A funeral service will be held Friday, Oct. 17, at 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell with the Rev. William Reynolds, pastor of the church, officiating. Music will be by the St. Mary's Choir. Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday and from 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday at St. Mary's Catholic Church where the family will be present from 6 to 9 p.m. and a scripture service will be held at 8 p.m. Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Grinnell Regional Hospice, Partners in Pain of St. Mary's Church or Fairview Elementary School Playground Fund.

She was born June 9, 1950, in Grand Rapids, Mich., to Henry and Beverly Schatz. She was raised in Cedar Springs, Mich., graduating from Cedar Springs High School with the class of 1968. She attended Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Mich. On Aug. 31, 1968, she was married to Michael Princen in Sand Lake, Mich. The couple lived near Grand Rapids before moving to Grinnell in 1977. She was employed in the food service at Fairview Elementary School for over 20 years and was manager prior to her death.

She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, its Partners-in-Mary, American Legion Auxiliary Unit #733 of Malcom and Iowa City Ocean Waves Square Dance Club.

She is survived by her husband Michael Princen of Montezuma; three sons, Jason of Fairbank, Iowa, Michael of Woodstock, Ill., and Brian of Vernon Hills, Ill., and two grandsons. She was preceded in death by her parents.
Sharon Princer, 53


Her funeral service was Friday, Oct. 17, 2003, at St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Grinnell with the Rev. William Reynolds, pastor of the church, officiating. St. Mary’s Church Choir provided music. Burial was at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell. A Scripture Service was held on Thursday at St. Mary’s Catholic Church. Smith Funeral home of Grinnell was in charge of the arrangements.

Sharon was born on June 9, 1950, at Grand Rapids, Mich., to Henry and Beverly Schatz Laube. She was raised in Cedar Springs, Mich., and graduated from Cedar Springs High School with the Class of 1968. She also attended Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Mich. On Aug. 31, 1968, she was married to Michael Princer at Sand Lake, Mich. The couple lived near Grand Rapids until moving to Grinnell in 1977. She worked in the food service at Fairview Elementary School in Grinnell for over twenty years and she was manager of the food service at Fairview School prior to her death. She was a member of St. Mary’s Catholic Church, the Partners-in-Mary, the American Legion Post No. 733 Auxiliary of Malcom and the Iowa City Ocean Waves Square Dance Club.

Her husband, Michael Princer of Montezuma; three sons, Jason of Fairbank, Iowa; Michael of Woodstock, Ill.; and Brian of Vernon Hills, Ill.; and two grandsons, Ryan and Andy Princer, survive her.

Her parents preceded her in death.

Memorials may be directed to Grinnell Regional Hospice, Partners-in-Mary or to Fairview School playground fund.