Sheryl Ann Siek, 56

Sheryl Ann (Hall) Siek, 56, of rural Blairstown, died Saturday, June 18, 2011, at Marengo Memorial Hospital following a brave battle with cancer.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 22, at Grace Lutheran Church in Blairstown with Pastor Mike Murphy officiating. Phillips Funeral Home in Blairstown is in charge of arrangements.

Sheryl was born Nov. 19, 1954, in Grinnell, the daughter of Roger L. and Joan M. (Goodrich) Hall. She graduated from BGM High School in 1973. On Feb. 16, 1974, Sheryl was united in marriage with Richard A. Siek at Grace Lutheran Church in Blairstown. She was a member of Grace Lutheran Church for nearly 40 years. Sheryl's lifelong occupation was in the farming and livestock industries; and, for many years, she worked as a graphic designer. She traveled extensively with her husband and children to livestock shows across the country. She also enjoyed fishing in Canada, folk art shows, mushroom hunting, gardening, cooking and spending time with her two grandsons. She served as a junior advisor for both the Iowa Junior Simmental Association and the Iowa Junior Beef Breeds Association, served on the Iowa Beef Breed's Council and as President of the Iowa Simmental Association. She was a widely recognized, highly talented, and dearly regarded cattledwoman.

She is survived by her husband, Richard; one daughter, Heather Siek of Des Moines; one son, Aaron (Abby) Siek of Malcom; two grandsons, Owen Siek and Valek Shilling; her parents, Roger and Joan Hall of Malcom; one sister, Regina (Duane) Hendrickson of Stanhope; and 11 nieces and nephews.

Sheryl was preceded in death by one sister, Carla Hall; and her father-in-law, Henry Siek.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established.

Condolences may be left at: www.phillipfuneralhomes.com.