Coleen "Katie" Whennen, 48, of Newton died Saturday, Nov. 12, at Skiff Medical Center there.

Visitation will be held Saturday, Nov. 19, at the UAW Union Hall, and memorials in her name may be left there. Wallace Family Funeral Home in Newton is in charge of the arrangements.

She was born on Jan. 11, 1963, in Newton to Kenneth and Rena Thompson Brant. She married Everett Whennen on Sept. 22, 1981, in Ottumwa, and was a 1982 graduate of Newton High School. She was a homemaker, and lived her whole life in Newton.

She is survived by her husband, Everett of Newton; three daughters, Coletta Chadourne, Astrid Brown and Amber Oswalt; four grandchildren; her mother; four brothers, Kenneth McCollum, John McCollum, TJ Brant and Kenneth Brant, Jr.; three sisters, Veda McCollum, Kim Mota and Kandie Brungardt; and many other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her father Kenneth Brant, and two stepfathers, Eddie McCollem and Clarence Miller.