

Wednesday, December 7, 2011

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Memorials may be designated to the Fitzgerald Scholarship Fund, c/o Greater Poweshiek Community Foundation, PO Box 344, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with Marcia's family at [www.smithfh.com](http://www.smithfh.com).

Marcia was born on Jan. 20, 1944 in Manchester, Iowa to Thomas and Jean Wiltse Hattel. She graduated from Belmond High School in 1962. She then attended State College of Iowa in Cedar Falls, where she graduated in 1966 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education.

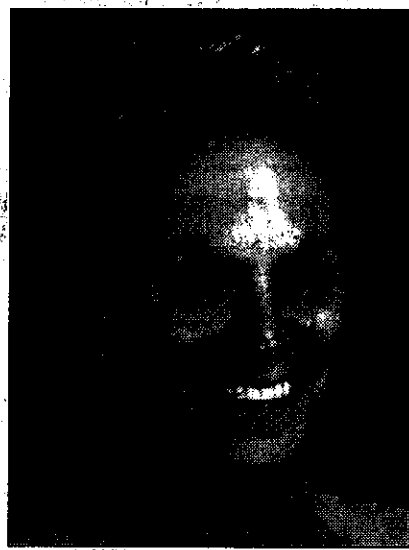
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Growing up, Marcia enjoyed being in the band, going ice skating and hanging out with her friends. Her enjoyment of being with her friends continued all of her life. In more recent years, she enjoyed playing cards, going to movies and the casino with them. As a mother and a wife, Marcia enjoyed camping, boating and going on vacations with her husband and children. Marcia loved her family and centered most of her life around them. She enjoyed attending her grandchildren's activities and the many times they stopped over to spend time with her. Her enjoyments included baking, reading, and cooking. She was an extreme dog lover and enjoyed having them as pets all of her life.

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Visitation will be held from 12:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday at the Smith Funeral Home. The family will be present to greet friends from

5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Tuesday evening.

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