

OBITUARIES

10-31-2012

Kathy Fleener, 66

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Funeral services for Kathy were held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, at the Smith Funeral Home.

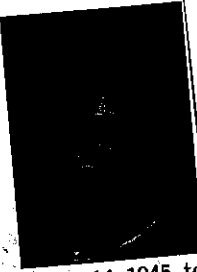
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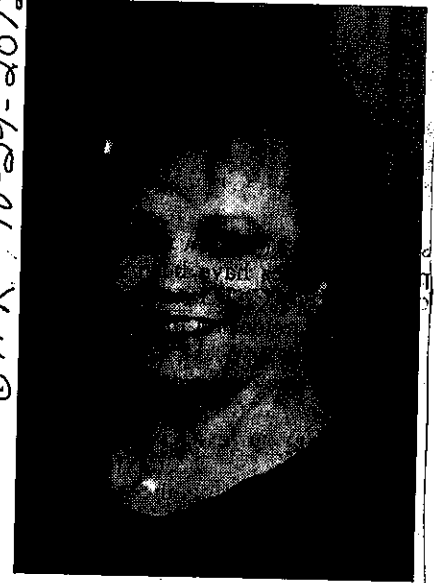
On June 19, 1963, she married her high school sweetheart, Donald Fleener. She worked as a bookkeeper for her father, the sale barn, and eventually for their farm. Kathy enjoyed making fudge and baking red velvet cake and Christmas cookies. You couldn't turn the channel if NASCAR, especially Tony Stewart, bull riding or any sports were on. Kathy loved to entertain, play cards, listening to music, dancing and shopping. She would pay the grandkids for neck and foot rubs. Kathy's love for her family was endless and the little things she did for Don, her children and grandchildren will be missed.

Kathy is survived by her husband of nearly 50 years, Don, of Grinnell; three daughters, Kris (Clint) Vonk of Sully, Karin (Rich) Jones of Grinnell, and Debbie Smith of Brooklyn; four grandchildren, Kasey (Bart) Zylstra, Makayla Jones, Lexie and Nathan Smith.

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