Maria E. Dutton

Maria E. Dutton, 70, of Grinnell, died Friday, Dec. 14, 2012, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center with family and friends at her side.

A celebration of her life will be held at a later date at the Station Clubhouse

in Grinnell.

Memorial contributions may be designated in her name to the Station Clubhouse, Grinnell-Newburg Dollars for Scholars, or to the Poweshiek Animal League Shelter (PALS). Memories and condolences may be shared with her family at www.smithfh.com. Smith Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Maria was born Feb. 20, 1942, in New Rochelle, N.Y., and was raised and educated in New Rochelle and in Los Angeles, Calif.

On Jan. 24, 1967, she was united in marriage with Kent C. Dutton in Los Angeles. The couple lived in Oregon, New Mexico, Wyoming, Washington and Colorado before making their home in Grinnell in 1998.

Maria spent much of her life helping youth. She was a police officer in New Mexico for several years and a counselor for adolescents in Wyoming. She held a special love for animals, especially her dog Cóokie. She enjoyed shopping, hunting, fishing, and bowling.

Maria is survived by her husband Kent C. Dutton of Grinnell; her children Danny, Richard, Gloria, Francis, Teresa, and Connie Antaveros, all of Los Angeles, Calif.; sister, Helen Marcum of Grinnell; brother, Tony Delucca of Sykesville, Md.; several nieces and nephews; and her dog, Cookie.