Patricia "Pat" Pitts, 70, of Grinnell, died Monday, Dec. 10, 2012, at the Mayflower Health Care Center.

A celebration of life service will be held 10 a.m., Friday, Dec. 14, in the Carman Center of the Mayflower Community with Rev. Christine Tinker, chaplain of the Mayflower Community, officiating. Inurnment will be at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Memorials may be directed to the Patricia Pitts Memorial Fund and sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home, P.O. Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.

Pat was born on August 6, 1942, in Iowa City to Oran and Margery Couper Reed. She was raised in Malcom and attended Malcom schools. In 1959, she married Leonard Sharon in Grinnell. The couple moved to Kansas and lived in various communities before moving to Lawrence, Kan. She was a homemaker and mother and also worked as a waitress, home health care provider and an assembly technician for Brahler Products Company. She was divorced and later married Timothy Pitts in Lansing, Kan.

Pat was a mother of five, and a devoted lover of all animals—especially horses and taking trail rides on horses during family weekend camping trips. She also enjoyed crocheting, bingo and solving puzzles.

Survivors include her children, Leonard Sharon Jr. of Fontana, Kan., and Sandy Sharon, Marjorie Sharon, David Sharon and Mark Sharon, all of Lawrence, Kan.; 12 great grandchildren; two brothers, Charles Reed of Arizona and Donald Reed of Boise, Idaho; and four sisters, Barbara Ann Nichols of Montezuma, Bonnie Cook of Marshalltown, Susan Schmidt of Kellogg and Cindy Lacey of Grinnell.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Timothy; her parents; and one brother, Thomas Reed.