

Obituaries

DEBRA K. PETERSON

Debra K. Peterson, 53, of Montezuma passed away peacefully on Thursday, November 14, 2013. A Memorial Gathering was held on Tuesday, November 19, at Iles Westover Chapel.

Debra was born on May 13, 1960, in Des Moines to Delbert and Shirley Sheehan. Debra attended Des Moines Area Community College where she received her Associates Degree in Nursing. She enjoyed working as a nurse, finding the most fulfillment in helping others. When she wasn't working, Deb loved to spend time gardening, traveling, and being near her family and friends.

Debra is survived by her loving fiancé, Joe Pitman; her mother, Shirley Sheehan; two daughters, Wendy Garcia (Manuel) and Amy Garcia (Dillon); a daughter-in-law, Sara Adreon; two stepdaughters, Kelsey Peterson and Evie Pitman; six grandchildren, Kalob, Sean, Alexis, Christopher, Alisa and Emmy; five brothers, Gerald Bradford (Sheri), David Bradford (Susie), Steve Mott (Regina), Harlan Mott and Mark Sheehan (Brenda), a sister, Sharon Armstrong (Jim); an uncle, Marvin Losee (Juanita); and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Delbert Sheehan, her son, Ricky Garcia Jr., and her sister Connie Mott.

The family would like to thank the staff at the University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics Surgical and Neurosciences Intensive Care Unit for all of their support while Debra was in their care. Memorial contributions may be made to the University of Iowa Foundation. Online condolences are welcome at IlesCares.com.