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Born on December 21, 1946, in Grinnell, Iowa, Donna was the daughter of the late Ru-

dolph and Irene Woodrow Krumm of Gilman, Iowa. She was married to Daryl Norris. They later divorced.

She completed practical nursing studies from Des Moines Area Community College and earned her bachelor's degree from Grand View College, working 22 years in health systems, then moved to Burlington for employment with SE Iowa Area Agency on Aging, Inc. and Southeastern Community College (SCC). She completed her MS in Education from Western Illinois University and retired from SCC as Director of the Success Center and TRIO programs in 2008.

Donna served on regional, state and national boards of Women Work and numerous college and community organizations. She was a lifelong learner and advocate with regard to health, education and social justice issues. Personal enjoyments included family, gardening, hiking and voluntary activities.

Survivors include daughters, Christina Gonzalez (Raul) of Queretaro Mexico and Sonya Metz (Michael) of Newton; her five grandchildren Amy, Ashley, Amanda, Jessica and David; ten great grandchildren; and her sister, Gwen Ward (Bill) of Nevada, Iowa. She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Shirley (in infancy), and Vivian Krough; brother, Gene Krumm; and son-in-law, Michael Metz.