Joyce Ann Lemke

Joyce Ann Lemke, 73, formerly of Grinnell, died Nov. 15, 2019, at Mercy Hospital in Canton, Ohio. A celebration of life will be held at a future date.

She was born Aug. 28, 1946, to Earl and Mary Ellen Lemke. She grew up in the Grinnell area and graduated from Grinnell-Newburg Schools in 1964. She went to college in Ohio and taught in the Canton, Ohio, area, working with children; fostering some and adopting three. After retiring, she taught school teachers and wrote grants in many areas along the east coast.

She is survived by her mother; her sisters Donna Ureay and Jane Lemke, both of Grinnell; her sister, Judy Sayre, in eastern Iowa; two children, Stephanie and Aaron; three adopted children from Texas and Ohio; six grandchildren; and other relations.

She was preceded in death by her father and brother.