DeeDee Griggs

DeeDee Griggs, 41, of Grinnell died Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2007, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A funeral service will be held Tuesday, Nov. 13, at 2 p.m. at Smith Funeral Home with John Epperson, pastor of Grinnell Christian Church, officiating. Pallbearers will be Duane Blagden, William Brewer, Randy Haley, Tom Heckman, Benito Juarez-Rendon, Tim McCamman, Travis Puls and Jim Robinson. Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the DeeDee Griggs Memorial Fund.

The daughter of Roger and Patricia Blagden Haines, she was born Feb. 13, 1966, in Grinnell. The family lived in Montour and later moved to Grinnell in 1980 where she attended school. She was married on Oct. 5, 1989, in Gilman to Neal Griggs and the couple continued to live in Grinnell. She was employed as a cook in several Grinnell restaurants and for the past ten years was assistant supervisor of the kitchen at Friendship Manor Care Centre in Grinnell. She began cooking at the age of 14 and was considered an excellent cook.

She also loved roses and enjoyed collecting angels. She was a dedicated employee of Friendship Manor and devoted to her family.

She is survived by her husband Neal of Grinnell; one son, D.J. Griggs of Grinnell; her mother Patricia Haines of Grinnell; two sisters, Tricia Haines of Marshalltown and Maggie Haines of Grinnell, many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her grandparents and her father.