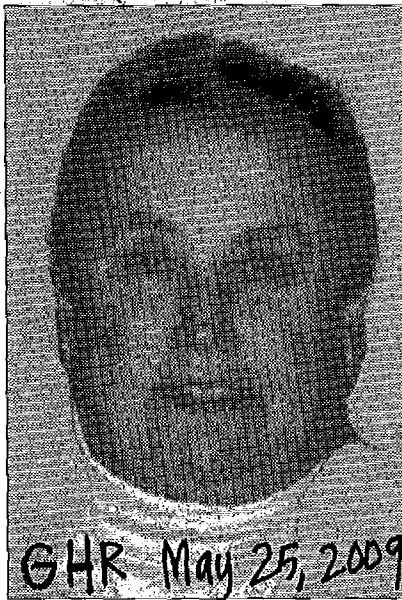


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She is survived by her husband of 38 years, Jim Evans of Searsboro; her children, Shelley Tharp of Des Moines, Jimmie Evans of Long Grove and Heidi Mathis of Grinnell; six grandchildren; a great granddaughter; her sister, Jackie Siepmann of Des Moines; four brothers, Don Starnes of Grinnell, Dean Starnes of Colorado, Dennis Starnes of Grinnell, and Dick Starnes. She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Jeannette Lender.

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Carol's family was her life. She loved to host family gatherings and could put together a delicious potluck. She also loved the outdoors, whether it was sitting on her deck watching the birds, riding around Searsboro on her purple Harley-Davidson golf cart, or the tranquility of fishing at Diamond Lake near Montezuma. Her other enjoyments were playing cards with friends and family, and social gatherings.

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Carol was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Jeannette Lender in 2001; a niece, Taralyn Taylor in 2005; and two nephews, Mike Siepmann in 2001, and Lucas Palar in 2006.

