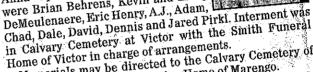
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She was a member of St. Bridget Catholic Church, the her younger years. O.C.C.W. and the Altar and Rosary Society. She enjoyed dancing in her early years, attending her children's sporting and school activities and taking bus tours with her friends. She was also an avid St. Louis Cardinal and

Survivors include her children, Charlene (Wayne) Iowa Hawkeye fan. DeMeulenaere of Hartwick, Bill (Phyllis) Pirkl of North English, Jim (Mary) Pirkl of Belle Plaine, Tom (Linda) Pirkl of Grinnell, Shirley Behrens of Marengo, and Bob Pirkl, Don (Diane) Pirkl and Paul (Patty) Pirkl, all of Victor, 23 grandchildren; 45 great-grandchildren; and one sister,

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Friends may call at Saint Bridget Catholic Church beginning 3 p.m. Thursday and the family will be present at the church from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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The Smith Funeral Home of Victor is in charge of arrangements.

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