## FORMER GRINNELL RESIDENT

## Dorene Sue Thorson, 58



Dorene Sue Thor-son, 58, of Altoona died May 17, 2015, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center

in Des Moines. Funeral services were Saturday, May 23 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Ankeny with Bishop Pat Bishop officiating. Organist was Debbie Hadden and chorister was Janet Clawson. Pallbearers were Bishop Pat Bishop, Jeff Boyd, Rob Clawson, Steve Evans, Paul Johnson and Ken Murrow. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery in Frinnell on Saturday.

Visitation was Friday

at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell and with the family present Friday evening. The family will also received friends one hour prior to service time on Saturday at the church.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.

Dorene was born Jan. 14, 1957, in Grinnell, the daughter of Ernest Iver and Doris Paul Thorson. She was raised in Grinnell and was a 1975 graduate of Grinnell High School.

Following her education, she was employed at Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company for several years. She later moved to Altoona and began her career as an underwriter at The IMT Group in West Des Moines. She was employed there for almost 40 years! While there she received her CPCU certification.

She was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and devoted her Sunday's to teaching Sunday school.

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