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**MELISSA JOY THOMSON**

Melissa J. Thomson, 54, of Searsboro, died on Tuesday, July 21, 2015, at University Hospitals in Iowa City, Iowa.

A funeral service was held on Friday, July 24, 2015, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Rev. John Epperson officiating. Casket Bearers were Robbie Lewis, Ben Thomson, Blake Cooper, Kurt Thompson, Brandon Dewey, Jobe Dewey and Jody Routier. Interment was in Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell. Should friends desire, memorials may be directed to PALS or to Grinnell Regional Hospice and sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home, P.O. Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.

Melissa was born on July 2, 1961, in Grinnell to Donald and Carolyn Trent Meredith. She was raised in Grinnell and graduated from Grinnell High School with the Class of 1979.

She was married to Robert Lewis Jr. in Iowa City, and to this union was born one son, Robbie. The couple later divorced. In 1990, she was united in marriage to Martin Thomson in Searsboro, and the couple had one son, Ben. She worked as a sales clerk for various stores in Grinnell.

Melissa enjoyed reading, family gatherings and caring for animals.

She is survived by her husband, Martin Thomson of Searsboro; two sons, Robbie (Cassie) Lewis of Kellogg and Ben Thomson of Searsboro; two grandchildren, Braxton and Bridget Lewis; her parents, Donald and Carolyn Meredith of Grinnell; and two sisters, Cindy (Blake) Cooper of Kellogg and Kim (Kurt) Thompson of Port St. Lucie, Florida.