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4-7-2016 Sheryl LuAnn (Rainey) Smith



Sheryl L. Smith, age 72, of Malcom, died on Saturday, April 2, 2016, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A celebration of her life was held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, April 7, 2016, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Pastor John Epperson officiating. Pallbearers were Billy Joe Smith, Dwayne Smith, Jimmy Smith, Jerry Smith, Phillip Smith, and Don McDowell. Honorary bearers were Earl "Buzz" Smith, Earl Ellis Smith, and Bill Simonton.

Interment will be at Ivy Hill Cemetery in Malcom.

Visitation began at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday at the Smith Funeral Home with her family will be present to greet friends from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Memorials may be designated in her name to PALS (Poweshiek Animal League Shelter) or to the Ivy Hill Cemetery Association, mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared online with the family at [www.smithfh.com](http://www.smithfh.com).

Sheryl LuAnn (Rainey) Smith was born the daughter of Harold Kenneth Rainey and Evelyn Mae (Magnusson) Rainey on Tuesday, May 4, 1943, in Malcom, Iowa. She was raised in Malcom and graduated from Brooklyn-Guernsey-Malcom High School.

She was united in marriage to Jerry Lee Smith in Montezuma, Iowa. The couple lived in Seattle, Washington, where they were employed with Boeing Corporation. They returned to Malcom in 1971, and Sheryl was employed at Robintech in Grinnell and later at the Malcom Coop. Her strong work ethic and organizational skills quickly moved her up the corporate ladder in a time that women did not commonly do so.

Sheryl held a strong love for her family and always looked forward to the family get-togethers during the holidays. She also loved to be outdoors, whether it was taking a walk with Jerry or tending to her garden/yard. She was an avid sports fan and her favorite team was the Iowa Hawkeyes. She held a special love for her dogs. Sheryl will be remembered for her kind, loving and gentle way, her feistiness, and her beautiful smile that could brighten anyone's day.

Sheryl is survived by her daughter, Shealey (Craig) Sieck of Grinnell; two grandchildren, Megan and Lucas Sieck of Grinnell; sister, Karen Haines of Sammamish, Washington; brother, Robert Rainey of San Antonio, Texas; and special friend, Carl Brown of Malcom.

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