

Donna Kempf

Jan. 1951 - Nov. 10, 2017

Donna Kempf, 66, of What Cheer, died Nov. 10, at her home. Services were held Nov. 15, at Holland-Coble Funeral Home, What Cheer with her son Pastor DJ Danner officiating. Burial was in Garrett Cemetery, Delta. Memorial contributions may be made to the Iowa SIDS Foundation.

Donna Gayle Kempf was born Jan. 17, 1951 in rural What Cheer to Carl and Roberta (Bobi) Hartwig. She was graduated from Tri-County Schools in 1969. Later she worked at Wal-Mart in Oskaloosa, Pella Products in New Sharon, Montezuma Manufacturing, United States Census, and First Resources in Sigourney.

She married Dwight Danner Sr. Oct. 5, 1970. To this union, 4 children were born, Roy, Crystal, Dwight Jr. (DJ), and Jeremy. They later divorced. She later married Gary Kempf Sr. They later divorced. Donna lived in What Cheer most of her life. She was a homemaker for many years.

Donna was a member of the What Cheer Christian Church. She was active in the Iowa SIDS Foundation. She was a member of the What Cheer Commercial Club. She enjoyed volunteering for the What Cheer Flea Markets and Keokuk County Fairs. She spent many hours working at the various ball field concessions for her children and grandchildren.

Donna is survived by two sons, Roy Charles Danner II and DJ (Chrystal) Danner both of What Cheer; two stepsons, Gary Alvin (Baylee) Kempf Jr. of Union Mills and Aaron Wade (Holly) Kempf of What Cheer; grandchildren Austin, Ethan, Riley, Adam, Zeb, Caleb, Carly, Dominic, Eleanora (Ellie), Carl, Eevee, and Greyson; a sister-in-law Vicky Hartwig; her aunts June Leydens and Jackie Culp; three uncles, Daryl Walker, Larry (Jill) Hartwig and Daryl Olson. Donna was preceded in death by her parents; her daughter Crystal Danner; her son Jeremy Danner, her grandson Johnathon; her sister Carlene and her brother Dennis.

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