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Sherry Thompson 6H-R



Sherry Thompson, 67, of Grinnell, died Friday, Dec. 29, 2017, at University of Iowa Hospitals in Iowa City.

A visitation will be held from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 7, 2018, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell.

Memorials may be designated to JELD-WEN Relay for Life and mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, IA 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with Sherry's family online at www.smithfh.com.

Sharon Lee Thompson was born the daughter of Henry LeRoy Thompson and Betty Jane Webb Thompson on Jan. 17, 1950, in Marshalltown. She was raised near Gilman and attended school in Ferguson and Gilman. She graduated from Grinnell High School in 1968.

Sherry attended college at Iowa State University in Ames. She later returned to Grinnell, where in 1978 she began a 39-year career at JELD-WEN Windows. She married Victor Bennington on March 31, 1983, in Grinnell; their marriage later ended in divorce. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star.

Sherry volunteered countless hours to coordinate and raise funds for the JELD-WEN Relay for Life team. She enjoyed reading, scrapbooking and card-making, and watching movies, and was a fan of the Boston Celtics, Green Bay Packers, and Iowa State Cyclones.

Sherry is survived by her siblings, Karen Thompson of Grinnell, Ken Thompson of Grinnell, Gary Thompson of Cape Coral, Fla., Janet Peiffer of Washington, Peggy Morse of Montezuma, Henry Thompson, Jr. of Grinnell and Glenn Thompson of Gilman; and several other relations. She was preceded in death by her parents.