

Diana Lynn McGilvrey

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Diana Lynn McGilvrey, 66, of East Dubuque, Ill., and formerly of Grinnell, died on Monday, Dec. 3, 2018, at her residence.

A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 8, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with the Rev. Steve Savage, pastor of the Friends Church in Grinnell, officiating. Interment will be at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell. A reception will follow at the Elks Lodge in Grinnell.

Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Memorials may be designated to the Diana Lynn McGilvrey Memorial Fund, mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family online at www.smithfh.com.

Diana Lynn McGilvrey was born on Feb. 23, 1952, in Newton, to Robert and Ellen Kellogg McGilvrey. She was raised in Grinnell and graduated from Grinnell High School with the class of 1970. She attended Iowa Valley Community College and graduated with honors.

Diana lived in Grinnell all of her life. She loved being able to raise her daughters as a homemaker. The most important things to her were faith and family. She also enjoyed knitting, baking, dancing, and celebrating the holidays, especially Halloween.

Diana is survived by her mother, Ellen Ellis of Grinnell; four daughters, Tanya Thompson and Tara Thompson of Grinnell, Tisha Conn of Iowa City, and Ashley Thompson of East Dubuque; 18 grandchildren; three great grandchildren; and her siblings, Mike McGilvrey of Conroe, Texas, George McGilvrey of Waterloo, Deb McGilvrey of Grinnell, and Laura VanCompernelle of Grinnell.

Diana was preceded in death by her father, Robert McGilvrey, and maternal and paternal grandparents.