Mary Anne (Peterson) Smith

Mary Anne (Peterson) Smith was born Oct. 15, 1948, in Red Oak, and went to be with the Lord on Monday, March 26, 2007, at her home in rural Brooklyn. She was the daughter of the late Maurice Delaine Peterson and Mary Helen (Lathrop) Peterson.

Mary Anne received her elementary education at Pilot Grove #9 Country School, Elliott Consolidated School and graduated from Griswold Community High School. She then attended Nebraska Methodist School of Nursing in Omaha, Neb., graduating as a registered nurse.

On May 11, 1968, Mary Anne was united in marriage to Dennis Willard Smith in Griswold. They are the parents of five children: Brian, Amy, Cari, Matt and Alex. They lived in Little Sioux for four years and Oakley, Kan., for six years before moving to Brooklyn twenty-seven years ago.

Mrs. Smith was employed by Grinnell Regional Medical Center, Grinnell, serving in various capacities for twenty-seven years. She also worked for Grinnell Family Care for about ten years.

She was a member of the Madison Church of Christ. She participated in, led, and was in the beginning stages of judging for the 4-H program.

Her father, and her brother, Richard, preceded her in death.

Surviving are her husband, Dennis, of Brooklyn; her children, Brian (Amy) Smith of Bellevue, Neb., Amy (Tom) Schendel of Des Moines, Cari (Jake) Christian of Omaha, Neb., Matt Smith of Bellevue, Neb., and Alex Smith of Bellevue, Neb.; her mother, Mary Helen Peterson of Elliott; her brother, Curtis (Janie) Peterson of Red Oak; and three grandchildren, Gabe Smith, Zane Smith and Ella Schendel.

Funeral services for Mary Anne Smith were held at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 27, at the Madison Church of Christ, rural Brooklyn. Her husband, Mr. Dennis Smith, Minister, officiated. Musicians were Patty Lang and Jan Read.

Also, funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 28, at Central Church of Christ, Griswold. The musician was Nancy Potter. Casket-bearers were Jeff Mundorf, Mark Schuler, Scott Peterson, Rob Peterson, Curtis (Pete) Peterson and Audie Rainey. Interment was in Oakwood Cemetery, Lewis.

A memorial fund has been established for Madison Church of Christ, Nebraska Christian College, or Grinnell Regional Hospice.

Nevenhoven Funeral Services, Brooklyn, were in charge of arrangements.

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