

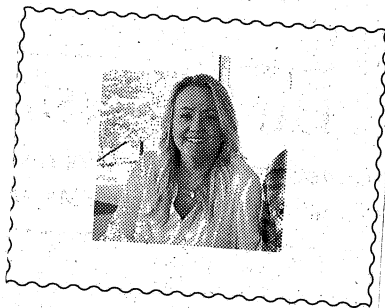
Obituaries . . .

DAWN WATSON

Dec. 10, 1969 - Sept. 6, 2023

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Dawn Watson, 53 of Gold Canyon, AZ, formerly of Montezuma and Ankeny, passed away September 6, 2023 at Dobson Home Hospice of the Valley in Chandler, AZ, after a short battle of pancreatic cancer. Celebration of Life Services are currently pending.

Holland-Coble Funeral Home of Montezuma is in charge of arrangements.

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Dawn Watson, 53 of Gold Canyon, AZ (formerly of Ankeny and Montezuma, passed away September 6, 2023 under the care of her family and hospice at Hospice of the Valley - Dobson Home in Chandler, AZ after a short battle with pancreatic cancer.

Dawn's sister-in-law, Karol Watson also served as a personal physical care advocate and trusted friend. Celebration of Life washeld September 15, 2 at Community Hope Church, Montezuma. Holland-Coble Funeral Home of Montezuma is in charge of arrangements.

Dawn was born to James Arthur Pearson and Betty Louise (Reynolds) Pearson on December 10, 1969, in Keosauqua, the youngest of their six children. She grew up in Pulaski, and attended Davis County Community Schools, where she was graduated in 1988,

Dawn attended Central College in Pella, earning her BA Degree in Accounting with highest honors in 1992. She earned her CPA certificate in November of 1992.

Dawn married the love of her life, Brian Watson, on May 24, 2001, in Orange County, California. They were parents to Brianne, Paige, Camden, and Ryan. Through the years Brian and Dawn made their home in Iowa, Georgia, Kansas, Texas, and Arizona.

She started her career with KPMG public accounting firm in Des Moines, and was a part of the management team at several successful companies including Vermeer Corporation, Accumold, and Hy-Line International.

Dawn finished the last several years of her successful career as owner of Watson Consulting.

Dawn's faith was strong. She especially loved the worship portion of services at Community Hope and Sun Valley Community Church. Dawn loved volunteering at Blue Valley Elementary School in Overland Park, KS and was also president of the Parent-Teacher Organization. She taught Sunday School at Community Hope and volunteered as a VBS leader at Grace Church.

Dawn and Brian loved to travel and took many beautiful trips over the years. Beach locations (if there was also a pool) in the winter and mountains in the summer were frequently enjoyed. Dawn will be remembered as a social event plan-

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ner. She was the "hostess with the mostess" for many family events as well as cherished gatherings with friends. The farm in Iowa and poolside in Arizona were favored locations.

Dawn's memory will be honored by her husband, Brian Watson of Gold Canyon, AZ; children Brianne (Joey DeJoode) Watson of Slater, Paige (Nick McCarty) Watson of Ankeny, Camden (Brittany) Watson of Sully and Ryan Watson of Tempe, AZ; six grandchildren her mother Betty Pearson of Ottumwa, siblings Mildred (Russell Stewart) Pearson of Bloomfield, James (Kelley Davis) Pearson of Burlington, Vic Pearson of Burlington, Inez Miller of Agency, Diana (Jim) Stufflebeam of Bloomfield; brother-in-law Mark (Vonna) Watson of Traer, sisters-in-law Ann Watson of Searsboro, and Karol Watson of Montezuma, and many nieces, nephews, and close friends.

Dawn was preceded in death by her father James A. Pearson; brother-in-law Gene Miller; and in-laws Raymond and Mary Jo Watson.