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She was preceded in death by her father. Survivors include her mother, Wilma Watkins of Malcom, and two sisters, June Watkins of Chicago and Jeneane Johnson of Louisville, Neb.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Sheridan Methodist Church Sunday School. Smith Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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