

## Marilyn Heckman, 71

*March 17, 1936 - April 12, 2007*

**ADAIR** - Marilyn Joy Petersen was born March 17, 1936, on her family's farm in Wichita, Guthrie County, daughter of Hans Christian and Sophia Marie (Christiansen) Petersen. She moved north of Adair in 1944 with her family, and lived there all of her life. She attended Bear Grove #7, north of Adair, in rural Guthrie County. Marilyn graduated from Adair High School in 1955. After graduating from high school she worked at U.S. Bank in Omaha, NE until 1962.



June 6, 1967, Marilyn married George John Heckman in Denison. She was a 4-H member and leader of the Grant Jolly Juniors. She was also a member of St. John's Lutheran Church. She died April 12, 2007 at Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines at age 71.

Marilyn is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, George in 1984; sisters, A. Joan Petersen and Darlene Petersen; and brothers, Don and Merle Petersen. She is survived by her children, Linda Heckman of Harlan; Kevin Heckman (Michelle) of Guthrie Center; John Heckman of Adair; and Joy Heckman (Ron) Slagle of Johnston; 6 grandchildren, Joshua Gear, Candice Gear, Keenan Winn, Collin Winn, Christian and Colton; siblings, Geraldine Twidt (Howard) of Ankeny; Melvin Petersen (Doris) of Council Bluffs; Dallas Petersen of Villisca; Shirley McClelland (Ron) of Des Moines; and Jack Petersen (Barbara) of Abilene, TX; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 16, 2007, at St. John's Lutheran Church, northwest of Adair. Burial was in St. John's Lutheran Cemetery. Hockenberry Funeral Home in Adair in charge of arrangements.