

## Mary Lou Govig, 68

*Sept. 19, 1936 - Oct. 29, 2004*

**AVOCA** — Mary Lou Keasey Walker Govig, the daughter of Roy and Mildred Shuemaker Keasey, was born Sept. 19, 1936, in Allantic. She attended schools in Allantic and Exira.

Dec. 12, 1954, Mary Lou married Forrest Q. Walker. They were the parents of three children, David, Debra and Doug. After their marriage, they made their home in Exira, where she waitressed at the Shamrock Cafe at the Valley between Allantic and Exira. Shortly after their divorce, Mary Lou was a waitress at the Levenworth Cafe for many years and later she moved to Omaha, NE. In 1993, Mary Lou moved to Avoca to be close to her family. As her health began to fail, she moved to the Allantic Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and then became a resident of the Avoca Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in May of 2003. She died Oct. 29, 2004, at the Avoca Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at age 68 years, one month and 10 days.

In addition to her parents, Mary Lou was preceded in death by her brother, Danny; sisters, Dorothy Mae Keasey and Arvalla Jeanne Keasey; one grandson, Dustin Walker; and one great-grandchild, Savannah Young. Survivors include her children, David Walker of San Antonio, TX; Deb (Cliff) Young of Avoca; and Doug Walker; six grandchildren, Amanda Fischer of Avoca; Coby Young (Mandi) of Council Bluffs; Dustin Young of Avoca; Josie Young of Avoca; Quentin Walker of Omaha, NE; and Angle Walker of Council Bluffs; seven great grandchildren, Cole, Dalton, Gavyn and Hayden Fischer; Lucas Young; PJ and Devin Young; brothers, Richard Keasey (Linda) of Allantic; Daryle Keasey of Kansas City, KS; sisters, Ardith (Marvin) Lauridsen of Exira; Nancy (Roger) Fusselman of Johnston; and Sandra (Francis) Free of Perry; special friends, Martha Lynn Petersen and Jack Petersen, both of Avoca; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Nov. 3, 2004, at Pauley Jones Funeral Home, Avoca Chapel, with John Farrell officiating. Burial was in the Graceland Cemetery. Honorary casket bearers were Rick Wehrli, Cliff Young and Jack Petersen. Casket bearers were Ronnie Petersen, Daryle Keasey, Coby Young, Dustin Young, Quentin Walker and Richard Keasey.