

Kathryn Leib, 60

June 3, 1940 – Nov. 8, 2000

KIMBALLTON – Kathryn Mae, daughter of John and Mabel Marie Engel Bents, was born June 3, 1940, near Macedonia, in Pottawattamie County. Kathy was educated in the Underwood Elementary School and graduated from Glenwood High School in 1958. After completing her schooling, she worked at Kresede Department Store in Council Bluffs, for nine years.

She married Darrell Leib Oct. 9, 1966, in Plattsmouth, NE. One daughter was born to this union. The couple lived in Council Bluffs, for a year before moving to Adair, where she stayed home to raise their daughter. In 1972, the family moved to Kimballton and Kathy began working at Dania Sko. In 1980, she started working at Salem Lutheran Homes in Elk Horn, and recently received honors after having worked there for 20 years. She died Nov. 8, 2000, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital as a result of an automobile accident south of Kimballton, at age 60 years, five months and five days.

She was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband, Darrell Leib of Kimballton; daughter, Kelly Bartelt, and friend, Delbert Shelley of Kimballton; granddaughter, Summer Shelley of Kimballton; five stepchildren, Daryl Dean Leib (Nancy) of Kimballton; Deborah (Tom) Koziol of Omaha, NE; and Sandy, Suzette and Gary Leib, all of Council Bluffs; 12 step grandchildren; sister, Doris (James) Truhlicka of Fargo, ND; brother, Rodney Bents (Judy) of Glenwood; three sisters-in-law, Gail (Lyle) Kallesen of Guthrie Center; Fay (Wayne) Jensen of Anita and Nancy (William) Grote of Withee, WI; brother-in-law, Donald Leib (Jane) of Des Moines; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Nov. 11, 2000, at the Bethany Lutheran Church, rural Kimballton, with Pastor John Swenson officiating. Burial was in the Bethany Lutheran Cemetery. Casket bearers were Larry Kenyon, Ray Leib, Rodney Leib, Dick Zieser, Ronnie Leib and Rodney Bents, Jr. and Roger Leib. Ohde Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.