

## Janet F. Mitchell, 50

Jan. 23, 1947 - Nov. 30, 1997

**CO. BLUFFS** - Janet F. Mitchell was born in Manning Jan. 23, 1947, to Wilmer and Vila Ranniger. She graduated from Manning High School in 1965. She graduated from Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville, MO, in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in physical education.

After receiving her special education endorsement, she taught physical education at Kim Junior High, Edison Junior High School, Abraham Lincoln High School and Washington Elementary School for 11 years. She has been a special needs teacher at Thomas Jefferson High School since 1987.

She was a member of Faith Lutheran Church and taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. She also served on the prayer chain and attended a Bible study group.

She married Rob Mitchell June 14, 1969. To this union three children were born. She died Nov. 30, 1997, at her residence.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Wendy Sue Mitchell in April of this year. Survivors in addition to her husband Rob include a daughter, Nicki, and her son, Bob, both of Co. Bluffs; her parents, Wilmer and Vila Ranniger of Manning; two sisters, her twin, Mrs. Joseph (Joan) Scalzo of Ottumwa and Joyce Simon of Chicago; a brother, Russ Ranniger of Manning; her mother and father-in-law, Robert and Wilma Mitchell of Harlan; nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Dec. 3, 1997, at Faith Lutheran Church in Co. Bluffs with Rev. Philip W. Hanson officiating. Burial was in the Lewis Township Cemetery. Memorials may be offered to Faith Lutheran Church or the Janet Mitchell Scholarship Fund at Thomas Jefferson High School.

