

Karen Resh, 64

Dec. 28, 1942 - Oct. 30, 2007



AUDUBON - Karen Jean Resh was born Dec. 28, 1942, in Red Oak, to Robert and Flossie (Wheeler) Resh. She attended elementary and high school in Corning, graduating with the class of 1960. After graduation, she began employment at Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company in Omaha, NE, and remained there for 20 years. She later continued her schooling by attending the University of Nebraska at Omaha, receiving her Master's degree in Communications when she graduated Magna Cum Laude in 2000. She started Assist Business Services in Omaha writing professional resumés and helping people find employment for 10 years before becoming involved in economic development and working for Western Iowa Development Corporation in Avoca, between 1994 and 1997. She also worked in the economic development offices of Delta T. where she researched and wrote grants in Hebron, NE, and Denison, before retiring in 2002 due to health reasons.

Feb. 17, 2007, Karen married Larry Paden at the First Presbyterian Church in Audubon. She died Oct. 30, 2007, at Creighton University Medical Center in Omaha, NE, at age 64 years, 10 months, and one day.

Karen was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband, Larry Paden of Audubon; her son, Mike Kallstrom of Omaha, NE; three grandchildren, Jennifer, Kaleb, and Ben; her sisters, Kathy (Delbert) King of Clarinda; Janice (Richard) Harvey of Prescott; and Peggy Dehart of Red Oak; her brother, Bob Resh (Audrey) of Hastings; nieces and nephews; and other relatives.

A memorial service was held Nov. 2, 2007, at the First Presbyterian Church in Audubon, with Pastor Kay Steddum officiating. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in Harlan in charge of arrangements