

Stephanie Stein, 27

Jan. 2, 1973 - Aug. 31, 2000

ANKENY - Stéphanie Christine Peterson Stein, daughter of Max D. and Sharon Y. (Whittaker) Peterson, was born Jan. 2, 1973, in Red Oak. She attended Stanton Community School where she was involved in FFA, cheerleading, music, 4-H, French club and athletics. She graduated in 1991. She attended Iowa State University in Ames where she was involved in Entomology Club, was a teaching assistant, and was involved in many other activities. She graduated in 1996 with a degree in Entomology and a minor in Agronomy. After graduating she was employed with Research Options, Inc. before becoming a research assistant in soybean molecular breeding with Asgrow in Ames.

She married Christopher Stein March 11, 2000, at Palestine Lutheran Church in Huxley. They were residing in Ankeny, where Chris was employed with John Deere. She died Aug. 31, 2000, in an automobile accident in Ankeny.

Stephanie was preceded in death by her grandparents, Alvin and Marveline Peterson of Stanton and Edward Whittaker of Marsing, ID. Survivors include her grandmother, M. Loraine Whittaker, and her mother, Sharon Peterson, both of Marsing, ID; her father, Max Peterson; her brother Stephen Peterson (Becky) all of Stanton; uncles and aunts, Ernie Whittaker of Ely, NV; Frank and Barb Whittaker of Boise, ID; Tom and Nancy Whittaker, Parker, CO; Loren Whittaker of Marsing, ID; Merle and Chari Peterson of Sioux Falls, SD; Mark and Pam Peterson of Little Rock, AR; Robert and Maurine Allen of Stanton; and Monte Peterson and Donna Epstein of New York, NY; cousins and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Sept. 4, 2000, at the Mamrelund Lutheran Church in Stanton with Father James Kleffman and Rev. Myron Meyer officiating. Burial was in the Mamre Cemetery in Stanton. Sellergren-Lindell-DeMarce Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.