

Donna Jeanne Courtney, 59, of Burlington died Sunday, August 24, 2008 at her residence. Born December 25, 1948, in Burlington she was the daughter of Darrell and Jeanne Schneider Strawhacker. On August 15, 1966, she married Thomas G. Courtney in Muscatine, Iowa.

Mrs. Courtney was a graduate of Wapello High School. She worked in food service for the Burlington Community School District for over thirty years and also was a clerk in the Iowa Senate for six years.

She was a member of Legislative Ladies of the Iowa Senate. She enjoyed crafting, scrap booking, gardening, her coffee group and spending time with her grandchildren. She was an Iowa Hawkeye Fan, Girl Scout leader, and a little league coach.

Survivors include, her husband, Senator Thomas G. Courtney of Burlington; two daughters, Dawn (Matt) Schulte and Shawna (the late Steve) Casady both of Burlington; one son, Brian Courtney of Englewood, Colorado; four grandchildren, Rachel and Samuel Schulte and Courtney and Brynn Casady; six sisters, Joyce Albin, Ruth Brown, Shirley Hall, Myrtle Heater, Mary McDonald, and Jolene Strawhacker; and one brother, Mark Strawhacker.

Her parents preceded her in death.

The memorial service for Mrs. Courtney will be held 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 27th in Lunning Chapel. The Senators Dave Moulder and Gene Fraise will officiate. According to her wishes, the body of Mrs. Courtney has been cremated.

A memorial has been established for Great River Hospice.

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