Barbara Woods

Born: December 23, 1944
Died: September 19, 2003

Services will be held at: Tuesday, September 23, 2003 at 11:00 AM at the First United Methodist Church in Marshalltown with Reverend Jerald Swanberg officiating.

Visitation times are: Monday, September 22, 2003 from 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM at Pursel-Davis Funeral Home and Crematory where the family will be present to greet friends from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM.
Barbara Woods, age 58, of Marshalltown, passed away after a brave battle with ALS, Lou Gehrigs disease. A memorial fund has been established in her name to the American Legion #46 Auxiliary Scholarship fund or to the Spinning Wheel Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution. Barbara was born December 23, 1944, in Marshalltown, the daughter of Charles F. and Kathryn D. Schaper Brewer. She was raised and educated in Marshall County, Taylor #6, Ferguson, Albion, and Marshalltown Schools. She graduated from MHS in 1963. She married Richard Fann in February of 1964 and later divorced. Barbara then married Kent Woods on October 27, 1972 in Marshalltown, Iowa. Barbara was employed as an Avon Representative from 1972 - 1999, and was employed at the Marshalltown Medical and Surgical Center from 1994 - 2000. She was Past 3rd District Director of the State Garden Club's of Iowa, Past Regent Spinning Wheel Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, Past President of Unit #46 American Legion Auxiliary, former MMSC Auxiliary Board Member, Past Director of the the Women's Bowling Association. Barbara was a National Accredited Flower Show Judge, Accredited Lily Judge, and Master Gardener. She was a member of the Marshalltown Garden Club, Central Iowa Genealogy Society, Red Cross Hospital Volunteer, and the Community Y Hobby Club. Barbara was a member of First United Methodist Church, former Chancel Choir Member, Seekers Sunday School Class, United Methodist Church Women, and Circle Ruth. She had bowled on the Strikette League, golfed with the American Legion golf ladies, a past member of the Marshalltown Bicycle Club, and had rode several RAGBRAI rides. She like Cross Country Skiing. Barbara was an avid lily grower and showed them at the Regional Lily Shows and was a Top Prize winner several times. Surviving are husband Kent, one daughter Shelly LeFrancois of South Bend, Indiana; a sister Cheryl (Donald) Stanley of Mission, Texas; a brother Raymond F. Brewer. Three grandchildren: Erika and Brenna LeFrancois of South Bend, Indiana and Dakota LeFrancois of Paw Paw, Michigan. Her nieces and nephews: Timothy (Rose) Stanley of Houston, Texas; Christopher (Lisa) Stanley of Conrad, Iowa; Patrick (Marcy) Stanley of Holland, Iowa; Paula Shipley, Jessica (Mike) Macdonald, Rebecca (Jon) Clemons, Raymond Brewer Jr., Evalynn Nelson of Marshalltown. Her 11 Grand-nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and half-brother Paul E. Schaper in 1988, and a step-son Kent A. Woods 1988.