

Lea Anne Kirby Obituary

Lea Anne Kirby, born November 1, 1952, passed away June 24, 2024. Born Lea Anne Bonar, she was the only daughter to James Bonar and Bertha Wilson Bonar. She had five brothers. (One of six children) She graduated from Burlington High School in 1970. On December 1, 1973, she married Gary Kirby.

Lea Anne was a caregiver by nature. She looked after her two younger brothers, nieces and nephews and was a caregiver to her parents, when their health declined. She also raised her two children, Kyle and Kasie, and claimed all of their friends as her own.

During this time, she was also a bookkeeper and secretary at her two older brother's businesses, Delta Auto Sales and Car Depot. Family and friends were everything to Lea Anne. Her home was your home and everyone called her mom.

She loved bowling, and began bowling at the age of 18, until she couldn't anymore. She loved to travel and always looked forward to bowling nationals. She loved to read, sometimes reading three books simultaneously and she enjoyed going to the casino.

She was an avid Iowa Hawkeyes and St. Louis Cardinals fan, loved playing cards, especially Pitch, watching Tiktok (Ticky-Tok) and collecting recipes. She was an animal lover, owning many cats and dogs and most importantly, her favorite thing to do was dote on her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband Gary Kirby; her two children, Kyle Kirby and Kasie Kirby; two grandchildren, Brinks Kirby and Bristol Kirby; five brothers, Tommy Bonar, Randy Bonar, Perry Bonar, David Bonar and James (Kelli) Bonar Jr. and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents.

According to her wishes, there will be no services. Cremation has been entrusted to the care of Lunning Chapel. A celebration of life is planned at a later date.

A memorial has been established.

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