

## **Kira Ann Gaer, 23**

**Aug. 31, 1970 - Oct. 6, 1993**

**HARLAN**— Kira Ann Gaer, daughter of Howard and Elaine Andresen Gaer, was born Aug. 31, 1970 at Harlan. She died Oct. 6, 1993 at Nebraska Methodist Hospital in Omaha at age 23 years, one month and 5 days.

She attended school at IKM - Irwin, and graduated in 1988 as salutatorian. While in high school, she was a member of the National Honor Society, chorus, varsity cheerleader, FHA president and served a freshman and junior class officer. As a freshman she played basketball and as a sophomore, she played volleyball. She had received many special honors during high school. She had been student council president and had received the IKM Student Council scholarship. She had the honor of being selected IKM Homecoming Queen her senior year. Following high school, she received her LPN degree and was currently attending her second year of the baccalaureate program at Nebraska Methodist School of Nursing at Omaha. She was a member of the Harlan Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her mother in Oct. of 1992. She is survived by her father, Howard of Harlan; two sisters, Carolyn (Gregg) Schneider of Omaha, Glenda (Todd) Sliger of Co. Bluffs; two brothers, Merlyn (Charlotte) Gaer of Springfield, MO and Dale Gaer of Irwin; friend Cory Jensen of Manilla; and many other relatives.

Funeral services were held Oct. 9, 1993 at Pauley Funeral Home with Rev. Doug Mathison of St. Paul's Lutheran church in Irwin and Dan Wright of the Harlan Church of Christ officiating. Burial was in the Oak Hill cemetery in Irwin with T.J. Fidone and Paul Sudds honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Lynn Olson, Steve Jorgensen, Jim Johnson, Jeff Saunders, Todd Backhaus and Paul Robertsen. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.