

Janet Hillstrand Gose, 69

JEFFERSON — Janet K Burmeister Hillstrand-Gose died on January 29, 2011 at the age of 69 years, 111 days at her rural home near Jefferson surrounded by the family she loved.

The daughter of Harry Burmeister and Mena Thogerson Burmeister, Janet was born on a farm southwest of Harlan. Janet was a triplet and was the only girl of the seven children in the family leaving her to grow up with six brothers. She was baptized and confirmed in the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan. Janet grew up on a Harlan area farm and graduated from Harlan High School in 1960. After graduating from high school, Janet went to the Immanuel Nursing Program in Omaha, NE where she received her Registered Nursing Degree. She then went to the Minneapolis School of Anesthesia, where she was trained and became a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist. She practiced at many central Iowa hospitals including at Harlan, Denison, Manning, Audubon, Carroll, Boone, Perry, Winterset, and Jefferson. Being a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist was a profession she loved and practiced for 45 years.

December 5, 1967 Janet was united in marriage to Frederick Hillstrand at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Harlan. Together they had three children: Elizabeth, Angela and Rebecca. They were married just short of thirty years when Frederick died in 1997.

Janet was lucky to have two loves in her life and in the year 2000 was united in marriage to Edmund Gose. Janet had many loves, some of which were quilting, decorating for holidays, lead crystal, and playing bridge. She adored gardening, canning, and riding in the combine with Ed. Most of all she had a true passion for her profession, for her faith in God, spending time with the grandbabies and her family. She was a charter member of the Christ Lutheran Church in Jefferson and served as congregational President during its formation.

Janet was preceded in death by her parents, and her first husband Frederick. She is survived by her husband Edmund Gose of Jefferson; her daughters: Elizabeth (James H. Wick III) Wick of Cedar Rapids, Angela (Michael) Ask of Underwood, Rebecca (Jacob) Clark of Boone; step children: Cynthia (Mark) Richards of Bettendorf, Laura (Ross) Krieger of Boone, and Philip (Kristin) Gose of Urbandale; brothers: Robert (Sharon) Burmeister of Tonto Junction, AZ, Richard (Sharon) Burmeister of Harlan, Jerome (Rose) Burmeister of Ft. Dodge, Jon (Beverly) Burmeister of Harlan, James (Sally) Burmeister of Harlan, and Phillip (Marie) Burmeister of Mount Ayr; sisters-in-law: Holly (Larry) Lukens of Vincennes, IN, Linda (Denny) Doyle of Omaha, NE, Patricia Perrin of Raleigh, NC, and Margaret (Karl) Schilling of Des Moines; and 12 grandchildren; other relatives and many, many friends.

Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 2, 2011 at the Christ Lutheran Church in Jefferson. Interment was in the Harlan Cemetery. Visitation



was after 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 1, 2011 at Slininger-Rossow Funeral Home in Jefferson with the family present to greet friends from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a prayer service at 8:00 p.m. Memorials are suggested to the Christ Lutheran Church, American Cancer Society, or Relay for Life.

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