

## Deborah Newkirk, 50

*Nov. 14, 1954 - Sept. 6, 2003*

**ROUND ROCK, TX** – Deborah K. Petersen Newkirk was born Nov. 14, 1954, to Earl L. and Mary Jo Petersen in Harlan.

Debra married John Michael Newkirk Sept. 18, 1976. They have three children, Aaron Dru of Houston, TX; Mary Jane Cruz and Amanda Renae at home, and two grandchildren, Austin Dru Newkirk and Sarina Marie Cruz. She graduated from Iowa Western Community College of Nursing in 1973. Her career spans 30 years of hospital, nursing home and Home Health Care. She died Sept. 6, 2003, at age 50.

She was preceded in death by her father, Earl Petersen; her brother, Larry Petersen, and niece, Lori Coshett. She is survived by her husband, John; her son, Aaron, and fiancée, Tanya Milyutkin; her two daughters, Mary and Amanda; grandchildren, Austin and Sarina; her mother, Mary Jo Petersen; her sisters and their husbands, Marcia (Tom) Bolton of Georgia, Anita (Bill) Hebert of Georgia; sister-in-law, Connie Petersen of Florida; her mother and father-in-law, Janie and John Newkirk; three brothers-in-law, Bill of Texas, Gregory of Arizona, and Brion of Colorado; three sisters-in-law, Kendra Brauer of Nebraska, Kimberly Kenford and Tamela Spenser of Colorado; 11 nieces and 14 nephews.

Funeral services were held Sept. 10, 2003, at Beck Funeral Home.

