



Penny Lynn Opperman

December 5, 1960 - June 3, 2024

Penny Lynn Opperman, age 63, of Mystic, IA, passed away on Monday, June 3, 2024, surrounded by her loved ones at MercyOne Medical Center in Des Moines, IA.

Penny was born on December 5, 1960, in Chicago, IL, to Earl “Jim” Sherman and Myra Ellen (Hunter) Opperman. She grew up attending school in Moulton. In 1975, she met the love of her life, Rodney Thomas. Penny and Rodney were blessed with 46 years together prior to his passing on May 15, 2024.

Penny worked as a bartender at many different places over the years, including at Rodney’s bar, Otis’s Place, in Mystic. She also babysat many children over the years. Although she never had children of her own, she helped raise many children. Penny enjoyed a good deal and shopping at the Amish stores. She was an excellent cook and accomplished baker known for her cakes. She enjoyed playing board games, Uno, and Bingo. Penny had a huge heart and was very kind and generous. She loved her cats, especially Peggy and C.J. Above all else, family was everything to Penny and she cherished all the time spent with them.

Penny is survived by a sister, Robin Opperman; a brother, Sherman Opperman; a sister-in-law, Vicki (Ted) Clark; and a brother-in-law, Bob Wireman. Penny is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and

good friends.

Penny is preceded in death by Rodney Thomas; her parents, Jim and Myra Opperman; siblings, Patsy, Debbie, and Jimmy Opperman; a nephew Anthony Opperman; a brother-in-law, Rick Thomas and a sister-in-law, Katie Wireman.

Per Penny's wishes, her body has been cremated and a graveside service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 15, 2024, at Salem Cemetery in Udell, IA. Following services there will be a luncheon at the Mystic Community Center in Mystic.

Cards of condolences/memorials can be mailed to Penny's family at 102 North 1st St., Mystic, IA 52574.

Cemetery Details

Salem Cemetery

Appanoose County, IA

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUN **15**. 11:00 AM.

Salem Cemetery
Appanoose County, IA

Tribute Wall

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“ *Becky Bills lit a candle in memory of Penny Lynn Opperman*



Becky Bills - June 04, 2024 at 09:59 PM