

## *Geri Wendt*

Geri Wendt died on Friday, May 7, 2010 as the result of an automobile accident. Geri was a lifelong resident of Menomonie and was 62 at the time of her death.



Geri was born in Menomonie in 1947 to Fred and Delores (Jensen) Pauly. On July 14, 1967 she married Lyn Wendt and became involved in farming in the Little Elk Creek community.

Upon graduation from the University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire with a degree in accounting, and also a Education Specialist degree from the University of Wisconsin, Stout, she taught at the Eau Claire Technical College for 35 years until her retirement.

She was a longtime employee of Oldfield Accounting Services. Recently she had opened Geri Wendt Tax Services and was enjoying serving her many clients. She was a partner with her husband in Lyn Wendt Enterprise, Menomonie Cars Plus, and Wendt Farms.

Geri was actively involved in many community and educational organizations. She was a longtime member of First Congregational Church-UCC. She grew up in 4-H and recently had become involved in her grandchildren's club. She had participated in many activities including tractor pulling, snowmobile racing, golf, and her most recent passion, horses. As an officer in the Menomonie Saddle Club, she participated in drill team and was an integral part of many committees. She was a loving and devoted grandmother. She could be seen most weekends trail riding with her grandsons or taking them to horse shows and her granddaughters to ball games. She and Lyn loved to travel and took many trips to Mexico.

Geri was preceded in death by her father, Fred Pauly; a brother, Jay Pauly; and her father-in-law, Allen Wendt.

She is survived by her husband, Lyn Wendt; daughters, Jody (Tony) Lemke and Lori (Ryan) Olson; son, Jeremy (Tara) Wendt; grandchildren, Lukas Olson, Maya

Olson, Rayna Lemke, Kendra Lemke, Logan Lemke, Austin Wendt, Cody Wendt; her mother, Delores Pauly; sister, Kathy Mikesell; brothers, Rick (Joan) Pauly and Scott (Karen) Pauly; mother-in-law, Laurane Wendt; as well as many nieces and nephews and her devoted German Shepherd, "Weedo."

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, May 14, 2010 at First Congregational Church in Menomonie with Pastor Rob MacDougall officiating. Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery in Menomonie.

Family and friends are welcome from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Thursday at Olson Funeral Home in Menomonie and at the church one hour prior to the service on Friday.

Donations can be made to First Congregational Church-UCC, Little Elk Creek 4-H Ball Diamond or will be used to start a Geri Wendt Accounting Scholarship Fund.

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