

Margaret Ann “Peggy” Rathbun

Margaret “Peggy” Woodford Rathbun, 48, of 10681 43rd Avenue, Chippewa Falls, town of Hallie, died Monday, Jan. 4, 1999, at the Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center in Mattoon, Ill. From injuries sustained in a single car accident.



She was born June 6, 1950, in Chippewa County, the daughter of Norman and Gene (McKay) Willkom. She completed her undergraduate work and received her Master's Degree from UW-Eau Claire in Accounting. She had taught at Altoona High School for five years and at the Chippewa Valley Technical College until 1995.

Peggy married William Woodford on August 16, 1969, and later married Rex Rathbun on Feb. 12, 1994.

She had also been very active at Rex Systems in Hallie since 1993 and was currently the

Corporate Finance Director. She was also the Corporate President of Rex Service Corporation in Hallie. She was currently on the finance committee of the advisory board at St. Joseph's Hospital, Chippewa Falls.

Peggy was a member of the Kiwanis Club and was active in the Country Fest and her community. She was a member and former president of Delta Pi Epsilon.

She is survived by her husband, G. Rex; two sons, Bill Woodford of Milwaukee and Ben Woodford of Chippewa Falls; four stepsons, Tim Rathbun, Chris (Cindy) Rathbun, Tom (Cara) Rathbun and Scott (Shelly) Rathbun, all of Chippewa Falls; one stepdaughter, Karie (Tom) Waldusky of Cadott; her mother Gene Willkom of Cadott; two brothers, Scott (Angie) Willkom of Chippewa Falls, Mike



(Colleen) Willkom of Cadott; six sisters, Marcia (John) Rollins of Rice Lake, Patti (Maynard) Lodahl of Boyd, Jane "Jinx" Witt of Chippewa Falls, Kathy (Dave) Burns of Cornell, Sheila (Bill) Mayer of Chippewa Falls and Shayonne Willkom of Madison; one sister-in-law Julie Willkom of Chippewa Falls; six grandchildren, Christopher, Whitney, Alysha and Reed Rathbun, Sam and Ben Waldusky.

She was preceded in death by her father, Norman Willkom; and one brother, Dennis Willkom.

Funeral services will be held at 12 Noon on Friday, Jan. 8, 1999 at Holy Ghost Church, Chippewa Falls, with the Rev. Edmund Doerre officiating. Interment will be in Brooklawn Cemetery, Cadott.

Friends may call from 4 to 8 pm on Thursday, Jan. 7, at Horan Funeral Home, Chippewa Falls and until 11:30 am Friday at the funeral home. There will be a Christian Vigil Service at 7 pm Thursday, Jan. 7 at the funeral home.

She was a profoundly devoted mother and grandmother. Memorials are preferred to a scholarship fund which will be establish in her memory.

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