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Melodee Gay Bartsch

Melodee Gay Bartsch, 58, of Gillette, Wyoming, died Friday, June 28, 2013 at Pioneer Manor, due to complications from M.S. Memorial Services will be at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 2, 2013 at Pioneer Manor in Gillette, Wyoming with Pastor Tom Frey of Prince of Peace Church officiating. Melodee was born on February 21, 1955 in McLaughlin, South Dakota to Elmer Schulz and Dorothy Herron. Melodee enjoyed playing scrabble, bingo, jenga and various other games. She loved watching football and good movies. Arts and Crafts were one of her favorite activities as well as reading books and she always loved getting her nails done. A great passion she had was her job as a greeter at Campbell County Hospital where she always had a big smile on her face and constantly had a way of making others smile as they passed her. She was proud of her role as President for the Residential council at Pioneer Manor. Melodee also enjoyed her work she did in early childhood education and substitute teaching. In Beloit, KS she worked for the Youth Center and also OCCK which she enjoyed also. Melodee's top priority was being a great mom to her daughters. She is survived by her daughters: Amber (Adam) Loomis of Jewell, KS; Lacey (Mike) Villamar of Lawrence, KS; her grandchildren: Ayden, Ashlyn, and Avery Loomis of Jewell, KS and Arabella Villamar of Lawrence, KS; her brothers: Tim (June) Schulz of Brandon, SD; Guy Schulz of Gillette, WY; Tony (Holly) Schulz and Troy (Gina) Schulz both of Wall, SD; her sisters: Spring(Jerry) Walker of Gillette, WY; Holly (Steve) Keller of Trail City, SD; Stacey (Kevin) Byrum of Gillette, WY, Lisa (John) Ocilka of Rapid City, SD. Melodee is preceded in death by her husband Tom Bartsch; her parents: Elmer and Dorothy Schulz as well as several aunts, uncles and grandparents. Her final resting place will be in Jewell, KS as a graveside service is planned for a later date. A memorial has been established in Melodee's name to benefit Pioneer Manor.

Memorials and Condolences may be sent in care of Walker Funeral Home, 410 Medical Arts Court, Gillette, Wyoming 82716.

Condolences may also be sent via the website www.walkerfuneralgillette.com.

Graveside Services will be 10:00 a.m. on August 3, 2013 in Jewell Cemetery, Jewell, KS .

Kleppinger Funeral Home, 409 Broadway, Jewell, KS are handling those services.