

## Audrey Smith, 56

June 5, 1950 - June 6, 2006

**PLATTSMOUTH, NE** — Audrey Mary Blum was born June 5, 1950, to Martin Chris and Eleanora Suzanna Pauley Blum in Panama. She attended St. Mary's Catholic Grade and High School through eleventh grade. Due to consolidation laws she and Denny graduated from Harlan High School in 1968. She attended and graduated from Briar Cliff College at Sioux City with a B.A. in English. She then taught high school English for two years at Breda and Underwood.

Audrey married Dennis Raymond Smith June 9, 1973, at St. Mary's Church in Panama. The couple moved to Plattsmouth, NE, where she taught high school English from 1973 to 2006, and they raised their son. She was a member of the Plattsmouth Education Association and Church of the Holy Spirit, Plattsmouth, NE. She died June 6, 2006, at Alegent Midlands Community Hospital in Papillion, NE, at age 56 years and one day.

Audrey was preceded in death by her parents, Martin and Eleanora Blum, and two sisters, Mary Blum and Virginia Wingert. She is survived by her husband, Dennis Smith of Plattsmouth, NE; one son, Matt Smith of Plattsmouth, NE; four sisters, Sister Joyce Blum, FSPA of La Cross, WI; Alice Zimmerman (Jerry) of Minden; Jeanie Heese (LeRoy) of Defiance; and Judy Clark (Fred) of Omaha, NE; four brothers, Vernon Blum of Elk Horn; Chris Blum (Pat) of Portsmouth; Charlie Blum of Portsmouth; and Emil Blum of Omaha, NE; and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at the Plattsmouth High School with Father Patrick O'Byrne celebrating. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Plattsmouth, NE, with Denny Smith, Matt Smith, Rusty Blum, Scott Blum, Travis Blum, Travis Clark, Tom Heese and Jacob Smith casket bearers. Honorary casket bearers were Tiffanie Blum, Brian Clark, April Smith, Raquel Smith, Jay Smith and Oriana Hashemi-Toroghi, Roby Funeral Home in Plattsmouth, NE, in charge of arrangements.